THE GYROLOG

THE GYRO CLUB OF EDMONTON
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OUR LAST MEETING was held on 15 May at the Mayfair Golf Club. In the absence of ye olde editor, our hard working Secretary Dick Ogilvie, was good enough to take notes for the Gyrolog. His report follows. Many thanks Dick, for bailing me out.

The meeting was chaired by President Roger Russell who gave a report on the Gyro International Cruise, which from all reports was a real success. Roger did say that the ship was dry — but everywhere else was wet! - the interpretation being, was that every time they went ashore it rained. Total attendance was 1153 with District 8 being well represented, led by the Sherwood Park Gyro Club with 17 couples.

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION AWARDS:- President Roger announced the following:

(a) The award for the greatest percentage increase in new members (Class B) was won by the Gyro Club of Edmonton.

(b) The Gyro Club Newsletter award (Class B) was awarded to the Gyrolog, our Club's Bulletin edited by Gord (Retread) Rennie.

BIRTHDAYS - May, was a good month for birthday cakes and candles. Birthday greetings and best wishes to the following:- Boyd Slavik(17th) David Burnett(18th) Ivan Ivankovich (23rd) Allan Warrack (24th) Rick Newcombe (30th)

DATE REMINDERS:- Dawson Creek Gyro Club's 50th Anniversary, 2 - 3 June 1990.

President Roger reported that 7 couples, plus Stan Smith from our club are planning the trip. Should be a memorable visit.

RED DEER GOLF- this annual event is to be held on 7 June 1990, at the Riverbend Golf Course in Red Deer. Tee-off time 8.30 a.m. Contact Bill Agnew at 474-7607 if you haven't done so.

STAMPEDE CITY GYRO CLUB INSTALLATION - Saturday 9 June at the Garrison Officer's Mess, Mewata Armouries, 8th Ave & 111 Street, Calgary. This is always a good evening.

DISTRICT 8 CONVENTION - 9-10-11-12 August 1990 will be held at the Terrace Inn, Edmonton, sponsored by the Sherwood Park Gyro Club. Remember to get your registration in early!

DEVON GOLF - GYROETTE SCRAMBLE - will be played at the Devon Golf Course on 14 August 1990. Cost $33.00 per person, includes golf and dinner. Mail your post dated cheques to Ernie Siegel at 14, 500 Lessard Drive, Edmonton, AB. T6M 1G1 by 1 August. Crossroads and Sherwood Park Club's please note!

GYRO CLUB OF EDMONTON SPONSORSHIP - Allan Warrack suggested that our club consider the possibility of providing some financial assistance to Katrina Russell, to help her continue her musical studies.
This young lady is becoming a distinguished bassoonist and has been invited to pursue her studies in Boston, for which she requires some financial assistance.
Allan asked our membership to consider providing some help, which would be in keeping with our club's previous support of cultural pursuits; e.g. the now renowned concert pianist Marek Jablonski. Allan will discuss this proposal with the Benevolence Committee and then bring it up again at a regular club meeting.

HEALTH - Merrill Morstad has visited Paul Green who continues to go to the hospital periodically. Members are invited to call him.

OUR GUEST SPEAKER on 15 May was our own Al McClure, who was introduced by Mort Morter. Al gave us a very interesting and enlightening talk about the business that he and his wife Bette operate, called Ringbinder and Vinyl Products (Western) Ltd. This business specializes in many vinyl products, including binders of many kinds, portfolios, diploma cases, book covers, luggage tags, etc. etc. They do silk screening, gold foil stamping and much more.

You will recall the fine job they did in producing the Tri-Club Installation Menu & Program, as an example of their expertise. They have some very interesting machinery they use in working with vinyl and Al invited our members to drop in and tour the plant at any time.
Al confirmed that the success of the business would not have been possible without Bette to "ride herd" on things.
Gordon Robertson thanked Al for his fine presentation and presented him with a token of appreciation on behalf of the club.

MAIL CALL - President Reggie "delivered" three postcards (same message and postage) from the cruise. These proved popular with those in attendance - "nice scenery!!"

GYRETTES CORNER - Florrie Van Dusen advises that the next Gyrette Meeting will be held on 12 June, 1990 at 8.00 p.m. at the Mayfair G.C. Your speaker for this occasion will be Myrna Fyfe of the Hospitals Foundation. Mark your calendar now!

CENSORSHIP ? - our long time member Stan Smith, voiced his thoughts about the "Mulroney Prayer" that was presented by Rick Newcombe at our meeting on 1 May, a copy of which was enclosed with our Gyrlog of May 8th.
Stan made some reference to our club constitution and by-laws, relative to possible expulsion of members for unbecoming conduct. Because of his keen sense of humor, it is not quite clear what he was getting at. We were all laughing so much it became impossible to accurately record his message. One thing for sure, Stan can always be relied upon to provide us with a laugh, in his own inimitable style!

CLUB DUES - in keeping with the members wish to continue to ensure that our club has a balanced budget each year, and dues are made in small increments, the following NOTICE OF MOTION was made at a recent meeting of our Officers & Directors, as follows:-
"Annual dues for the Gyro Club of Edmonton be increased from $260.00 annually to $270.00 annually, effective for the fiscal period July 1, 1990 to June 30, 1991." Moved by Barry Walker and seconded by Allan Douglas.
Note: - our luncheon meeting on Tuesday 19 June 1990 at the Mayfair Golf Club, will be a business meeting, at which time the budget will be presented.

CASH DRAW - Don Popowich had his name drawn at our last meeting, but unfortunately he was not there - so the "pot" will be carried over to 5 June.

Editor to Secretary Dick Ogilvie:- many thanks for your notes about the meeting on May 15th. I hope that I have correctly published what you so kindly provided. You know it's guys like you, who make guys like me, appreciate guys like you! Sincere thanks, (Retread).

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MEMBERSHIP - First Posting - Richard (Dick) J. Mandlis, R.R.1 Morinville, AB. T0G 1P0 (R) 459-3259. President, Park West Jewellers, Box 2119 West Edmonton Mall. (B) 444-1748 Wife's name Marion. Membership proposed by Marty Larson, seconded by Jack Ellis.

First Posting - A.N.(Tony) Sheppard, 5204 - 142 Street, T6H 4B4 (R) 435-4325 Wife's name Emily. President, Sheppard, Diamond & Company, 980 Phipps McKinnon Bldg. T5J 3G2 (B) 421-1515 Membership proposed by David Burnett, seconded by Gunnar Anderson.

GYRO INTERNATIONAL - during the recent Gyro cruise the following Gyro International Officers were duly installed in office for the next 12 months. PRESIDENT, John J. Munroe(Painesville, OH) FIRST VICE PRESIDENT, Robert A. (Bob) Dutcher(Moncton, NB) SECOND VICE PRESIDENT, Martin L. (Marty) Larson (Edmonton) THIRD VICE PRESIDENT, Emil Bajot(Bellingham,WA)(I.P.G. D-IV) IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT, David Hansma(Tampa, Fl) Secretary/Treasurer John Harding(Painesville)

Our thanks to all these International Officers for their past services, and our congratulations and best wishes for a healthy, happy and successful year in the pursuit of Gyro friendship.

CHARLOTTETOWN GYRO CLUB - our good friend, 2nd International V/P Marty Larson, reports that the Gyro Club of Charlottetown are reactivating their membership in Gyro on 2 June 1990. That's good news, our congratulations to them on rejoining our Gyro family.

DISTRICT IV CONVENTION - this will be held in Prince George, B.C. on 21 - 24 June 1990, with 2nd V/P Marty Larson conducting the installation ceremonies.

GYRO LIFE MEMBERSHIPS - we understand that 5 Gyro Life Memberships were raffled off during the Gyro cruise, with one of the lucky winners being Roger Lougheed of the Sherwood Park Club. Our congratulations to Roger - but are you sure he didn't win it in some sort of a card game?

SMILES & CHUCKLES - there is the story of a painter who was known to use quite a lot of thinner in his paint. One day he was given the job of painting the local church steeple. He had just finished when a heavy rain storm washed all the paint away. A voice from the heavens called out - "repaint and thin no more!

A sure sign that social barriers no longer exist, is the number of cute French maids who enter a home by the servants entrance and leave in a family way.

VOX POP - Courage is what it takes to stand up and speak; courage is also what it takes to sit down and listen. (Padre Bill Graham)

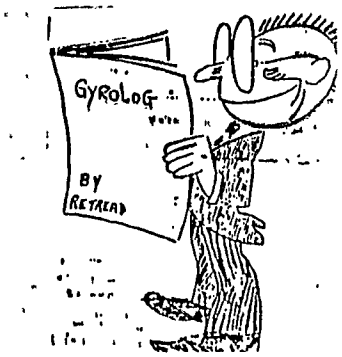
The amount of sleep needed by the average person is ten minutes more. (John Pedden)

If you pussyfoot, you'll leave no footprints in the sands of time. (Bill Agnew)

In this life, the old believe everything, the middle aged suspect everything and the young know everything. (Marty Larson)

JUST A REMINDER
OUR NEXT MEETING

Date: 5 June 1990
Place: Mayfair Golf Club

Time: 12.00 noon
Our Program:-- we're not sure --
Your obligation: Your attendance
Your privilege: To fulfil your obligation

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