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President Roy welcomed 24 Gyros to the last meeting in August. Mike Matei led us in a stirring rendition of Cheerio and PIP Marty Larson asked the blessing.

Bryce Van Dusen introduced his friend Lawrence Croteau.

We enjoyed an excellent lunch that resulted in several positive comments and an expressed appreciation for Past President Victor for his work on adjusting the menu.

Dave Duchak introduced the guest speaker, Lorenzo Clonfero from Rosedale Estates who informed us about housing options for senior Albertans. He stated that there are now several levels of support provided by the public and private sectors for senior housing. They include supported housing and designated assisted living to provide people with the level of homemaking and medical help they require for daily living. A new development is the 'living in place' community under construction in Griesbach. Erik Hedegaard thanked Lorenzo for his interesting and informative presentation.

David Burnett provided the following information on this summer's conventions. About 100 Gyros and their spouses attended the International Convention in Salt Lake City with five couples from our club. Congratulations to PDG Gerry Glassford who was presented the Best District Governor's Bulletin Award. Jim Roberts was inducted as the 3rd International Vice President. Jim is from the Hollyburn Club and formerly the Sherwood Park Club.

At the District VIII Convention in Wallace ten couples from our club helped round out the 100 Gyros and their spouses. There was also great representation from Regina (9 couples), Sherwood Park (12), Stampede City (11) and Nelson (17). Sherwood Park won the Man-mile award. Wallace did an outstanding job and the Bendover

Sisters interrupted" the Business Meeting to sing their latest song "It's going to be scary without Gerry". Erik Braun of the Sherwood Park Club won the Best Bulletin Award. Erik Braun was also installed as 2nd Lt. Governor and our own Gerry Glassford becomes immediate Past District Governor. The other officers for are Al Clark Governor and Wes Fillo Secretary Treasurer (Stampede City) and Doug Aspeslet 1st Lt. Governor (Lethbridge).

The winners of the Bocci tournament were Bruce Foy, Carol Dobson and Paulette Schulte ably assisted by PIP Tom Lennox.

The Calgary Club won the Russ Carter Award for the greatest number of new members during the year and Gary Cull of the Calgary Club won the best District Secretary Award for the second consecutive year. Nelson won all the golf hardware.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday September 2, 2003 at the Mayfair at noon.

Florrie Van Dusen advises that the next Gyrette meeting will be on Tuesday September 9, 2003 at the Mayfair with cocktails at 6:00 and dinner at 6:30. The guest Speaker will be Kathy Trepanier from the Alberta Heart Institute.

An afternoon of **Thoroughbred Racing** is planned for **Sunday October 5, 2003** with post time at 1:00 PM. It will be at the Northlands Spectrum Upper Sky Suite with its balcony access. The package includes an exquisite buffet, private bar or cocktail service, exclusive pari-mutual windows for our own use, and a group of hostesses to answer any questions. The cost to the Edmonton gyro Club members and Gyrettes will be \$22 per person. Guests are \$27. For further information and to register call **John Stroppa** at 469-6133.

The St. Albert Club has already booked the Faculty Club for **Founders Night** on October 22, 2003.

The Christmas Party for next year is booked for December 2, 2003.

Lethbridge's 2004 District Convention will be at Waterton Lakes National Park August 5 – 8 and includes a boat trip and breakfast at the Prince of Wales Hotel.

Same Old Bull

Allan

