



# THE GYROLOG THE GYRO CLUB OF EDMONTON

## President

Jack Brown  
Res. 434-0392

*Meeting held on Tuesday July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2007  
The Royal Mayfair Golf Club*

## 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President

John Plunkett  
Res. 435-7011

President Jack Brown welcomed Gyros and guests to our fair city, “the busiest city in the world”, after Dubai and some city in China - he failed to mention which one, welcomed 30 Gyros and one guest, and introduced the Gyro Editor who is taking his first crack at this Bulletin.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President

Leon Lubin  
Res. 454-9712

*Cheerio* was led by the Club Tenor **Allan Warrack** and Grace was offered by **David Burnett**.

## Imm.Past President

Fred Schulte  
Res. 434-0925

### Birthdays in July

2-Jul John Mann  
7-Jul Tom Chambers  
18-Jul Leon Lubin

## Secretary

Barry Walker  
Res. 475-0983

### Anniversaries in July

11-Jul Barry & Valerie Walker 37 years  
13-Jul Bryce & Florrie Van Dusen 67 years  
15-Jul Jack & Joyce Brown 7 years  
28-Jul John & 'Mim'-Bertsch Mann 7 years

## Treasurer

Mike Matei  
Res. 930-1780

As the meal was taking a bit longer than usual, Treasurer Mike Matei gave an overview of the Financial Statements for the Club. Besides items in the Financial Statements, discussions also focused on:

- Current expenses for meals
- Gyro Children's Park
- Benevolent Fund
- Printing of the Rosters and
- Mailing of the Gyrolog

## Directors

Eric Spink  
Res. 436-5242  
Bill Taylor  
Res. 430-0330  
Bill Clarke  
Res. 461-2228

## Gyrolog Editor

Aurelio Fernandes  
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President Jack commended Mike for a job well done as the Treasurer, and thanked John Stroppa for his input with the Financial Statements. Fred Schulte called for a motion to adopt the Financial Statements, which was seconded by Peter Carter.

Also, Treasurer Mike Matei presented the budget for the year ending March 31, 08. Moved by Barry Walker and seconded by Roger Russell.

## FORT McMURRAY – August 14 – 14, 2007

Walter Yakimets confirmed that so far, there are 26 confirmed attendees. The “highlight” of the return trip will be a 25 course dinner ( it is a buffet by the way), at the Maple Leaf Tree Grill in Waskatenau. For further information, please call Walter at: 438 1406

## **SECOND POSTING:**

**Luc Lascelle** has applied for membership in our Club. **Luc** and his partner **Dixie Van Dusen** reside at **317- 10508 119 Street** in Edmonton and their postal code is **T5H 4M1**. Their telephone number is **485-1141** and email address is [luc\\_lascelle@hotmail.com](mailto:luc_lascelle@hotmail.com) **Luc** is an **Account Specialist** with **G.E.Money** and is proposed by **Bryce Van Dusen** and seconded by **Ari (“Dutch”) Hoeksema**.

## **GUEST SPEAKER**

Our guest speaker Jim Gurnett was introduced by Chuck Gerhard. Jim has an impressive background from being an MLA to the Director of the Hope Foundation and many other non-profit organizations. The Centre’s main objective is to support immigrants and refugees coming to Edmonton to achieve full participation in the community, contributing their experiences and skills to strengthen and enrich the lives of Canadians thus building a stronger democratic civil society.

Jim spoke on the Mennonite Centre for Newcomers. It was a very interesting and informative talk based on what this Centre does to help and facilitate the integration of new immigrants in Edmonton.

It was also very encouraging to note the initiatives that this center has taken to assist professionals like engineers to mitigate the shortcomings of foreign credentials into a seamless integration in the Canadian work place with the help of institutions such as NAIT.

Some of this organisation’s notable achievements have been:

- Bridging approach to assist people with foreign credentials to re-enter their professions in Canada;
- The Centre for Survivors of Torture and Trauma – one of only three internationally accredited providers of specialized services to torture survivors
- Gold Laurel Awards 2002, 2004 and 2005

Peter Morrison thanked our speaker.

## **Upcoming Meetings and Events**

**Tuesday July 10** Gyro/Gyrette 9 hole golf tournament at the same venue as in recent years, the **Legends Golf Course**, maps available at [www.thelegends.ca](http://www.thelegends.ca) the approximate time for the first *tee time* is 1:00 P.M and a steak BBQ will follow.

Everyone wins a prize and has a fun afternoon of fellowship.

Cost \$50.00 per person for golf, steak BBQ and dinner wine.

If you only wish to join the group for the BBQ the cost is \$28.00 per person.

***COME ONE, COME ALL***  
**Prizes/prizes/prizes are needed!**

**July 17<sup>th</sup> Luncheon Meeting: German Canadian Cultural Association**

Guest Speaker: **Chief Randy Wolsey**, Edmonton Fire Department  
Topic: Building codes and legal issues facing the EFD.

**Thursday August 9<sup>th</sup> through Sunday August 12<sup>th</sup>.**  
District VIII Convention

**Tuesday September 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Corn Roast,**

Venue: Malmo Community Hall.

Cost, \$15.00 per person and there will be a *twoonie bar*.

*Bocci* will be played before dinner at approximately 4:30 P.M with dinner to follow at approximately 6:30P.M.

Aurelio Fernandes