

11 May 1994

In Review - The special mixed meeting we held on Tuesday evening 3 May 1994 at Fort Edmonton, was certainly an overall success. This 1996 Convention planning session was well attended by over 60 Gyros & Gyrettes.

Following a happy hour and a barbecue dinner, the meeting opened with a slide presentation (produced by John Ross & Gord Rennie) showing our club's participation in District & International Conventions, over the years. The material and pictures were taken from our club's Historical Records, which are kept in the City of Edmonton Archives. Marty Larson did a fine job as commentator, ably assisted by Allan Douglas with the projector.

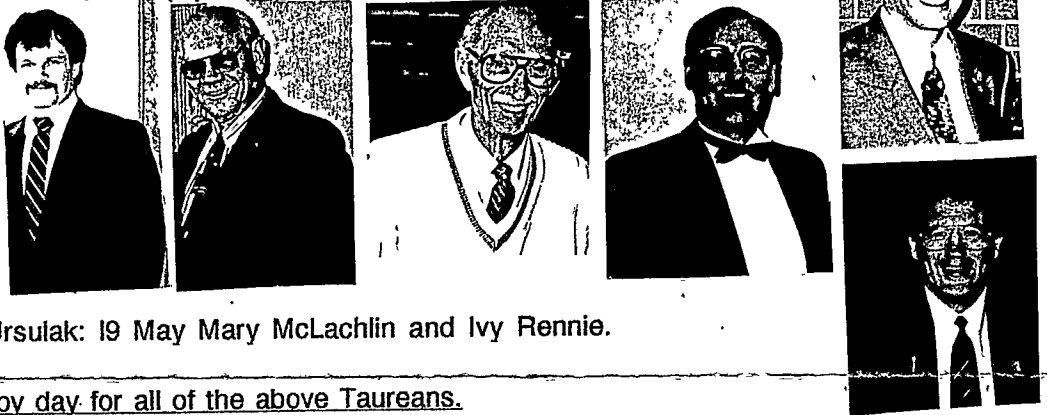
This was followed by co-chairmen David Burnett & Marty Larson leading an in depth discussion about our sponsorship of the 1996 International & District VIII Conventions. Much enthusiasm and interest was displayed, with good participation concerning suggestions, ideas & opinions, relative to the overall planning.

Everyone was provided with a temporary program outlining proposed plans; together with a Volunteer Commitment Sheet for each Gyro & Gyrette to complete & sign.

We learned what has already been established by the convention committee; but it will take all of us to make the convention a success! If you were unable to be at this meeting, please make sure that you volunteer to work on one (or more) of the many required committees.

### Birthdays - during the month of May (Gyros)

- 10 May Allan Ursulak
- 13 " Andy Friderichsen
- 17 " Boyd Slavik
- 18 " David Burnett
- 23 " Ivan Ivankovich
- 24 " Allan Warrack



Gyrettes - 17 May Joan Ursulak; 19 May Mary McLachlin and Ivy Rennie.

Our best wishes for a happy day for all of the above Taureans.

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Obituary - It is with much regret that we report the untimely passing of Gyrette Betty Ann Coyne on 26 April 1994. Our deepest sympathy is extended to her husband Don, of the Sherwood Park Club, and to all the Coyne family.

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Quad Club Annual Installation, Banquet & Dance was held on Saturday 7 May 1994 at the Chateau Louis Conference Centre in Edmonton: with the host club, Sherwood Park doing a fine job of arranging a very successful evening. The new Officers & Directors of all four clubs, viz: Crossroads: St. Albert: Sherwood Park & Edmonton, were duly installed into office by Ken Wiegele, 1st Lt-Governor of District VIII. Ken conducted his duties very well and we appreciated his message about Gyro. He was accompanied by his Gyrette Dorothy, and one other couple, Norman & Carol Ridge from the Coeur d;Alene Gyro Club.

Our other visitors were P.I.P. Keith Lowings and Joan, from the Lethbridge Gyro Club. It was no surprise that Keith took advantage of the visit to do a promotional job on behalf of the Lethbridge Club, who are hosting the District VIII Convention on 30 June - 3 July 1994.

Not only did he talk about the convention - he brought enough registration forms for all four "quad clubs" to have - just in case we haven't already registered! It was a super sales job, Keith, - we trust the response will be as good.

Our congratulations and best wishes for a happy, active year in Gyro to the newly elected Officers and Executive members. **Presidents: Bryan McMullen, Crossroads: Gary Swinkels, St. Albert: Maurice Pombert, Sherwood Park & Barry Walker, Edmonton Gyro Club.**

Following their official installation each President was given equal time to express his thoughts and ideas concerning his leadership plans for his term in office.

As you might imagine there was a good deal of Gyro good humor rendered by all concerned throughout, together with the promise of an active, happy year.

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#### Quad Club Installation(cont)

Following a fine dinner and the installation ceremonies, the evening concluded with a lively dance to end another happy Quad Club gathering.

On the Sunday morning the Sherwood Park Gyros put on another of their great family breakfasts, which was well attended and enjoyed by Gyros, Gyrettes, Gyrunts, Grandma's & Grandpa's, from 10.00 to 11.30 a.m at the Log Cabin in Sherwood Park, AB. The S/Park men do a great job of preparing & serving the meal. This year they added a real "touch of class" when they provided each lady with a red long stem rose - very nice & much appreciated.

#### Dates to remember

June 9 - Regina Gyro Club Installation.

June 9 -12 District IV Convention, Tacoma, WA.

June 11 - Stampede City Gyro Club Installation

June 30 - 3 July District VIII Convention, Lethbridge, AB.

July 7 - 10 Gyro International Convention, Moncton, NB.

From what we read in the latest issue of the Gyroscope, both the District & International conventions look most interesting and inviting. Don't delay sending in your registrations. Do it now before you become so involved in your "job jar spring chores" that you forget the convention dates.

Vox Pop - Great minds have purposes - others have wishes. (Washington Irving)

The best horse cannot wear two saddles.(Larry Wang)

The mark of an exceptional company, is how it treats it's exceptions. (John Ross)

The time to relax is when you don't have the time for it.(Dean Paterson)

Egotism is the anesthetic that dulls the pain of stupidity. (Pat Rasko)

The strength of a nation is derived from the integrity of it's homes.(Confucius - 551 - 447 BC)

Laughter is the best medicine - It was in Mexico City that a senora said to her beautiful friend: "Pepita, you must be very proud of your husband Juan. He is so big, so strong & so handsome." "Bah" sneered Pepita, "you should have seen the Juan that got away."

One of New York's leading cultural institutions was about to make a costly study, to find out which of it's many exhibits was the most popular with visitors. Just before the consulting contract was signed, a committee member suddenly suggested they ask the janitor where he had to mop the most.

Playball - A famous baseball pitcher who joined a sporting goods firm after retiring from baseball, was asked a routine question on his employment form. "Why did you leave your last position?" He thought for a moment and then wrote, "I could no longer get the side out.

Johnny Carson the famous TV host, once asked baseball great Yogi Berra how he liked school. Berra replied "closed".

Food for thought - All too often, people are afraid to admit they don't have all the answers, so they just make them up. They elaborate on what they don't understand to the point of embarrassment. Instead, all they had to do was to say "I don't know, but I'll find out." Remember nobody can fault you for admitting you don't know everything; in fact, they might even admire you.

There is no pleasure comparable to top that of meeting an old friend - except of course the possibility of making a new one.(Ye Editor)

Our newly installed President Barry Walker, reports that our next regular meeting will be held at the Mayfair Golf Club, at 12.00 noon on Tuesday 17 May 1994.

This meeting is going to be a special recognition day for some of our club members including **Bernie Brown: Stan Smith: Dave Duchak: Padre Bill Graham: Boyd Slavik: Vern Sadd and Bert Boren.**

President Barry hopes that as many members as possible will come out and share fellowship and the hand of friendship with these Gyros who have been in our club for many years.

It will also be an opportunity to welcome our new President and the Board of Directors. Look forward to greeting you.  
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