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President Gord welcomed 22 Gyros to this meeting on a beautiful day at the Mayfair (that again seemed to be really short of golfers). **John Ross** introduced his guest, Doug Haynes, who was with him in Mexico studying Spanish. Doug is an artist who has some large works on display near the entrance to the Council Chambers at City Hall.

Allan Warrack led us in Cheerio with **Mort Morter** following with the blessing.

President Gord reported on a glorious weekend at Whistler for the International and District IV Convention. The Friday night BBQ was held at the top of the mountain and the participants were treated to a spectacular sunset at 10:00 p.m. The golf courses were in terrific shape and all enjoyed that activity. As usual, those who attend a convention have a great time and always say we should all try to attend more.

Our hard working and diligent Treasurer, **John Stroppa**, presented the budget for the year ending March 31, 2000. There have been some adjustments in expenditures in various categories and despite some increases, there will be no increase in dues. Acceptance of the budget as presented was moved by **John Stroppa** and seconded by **John Ross** and carried unanimously. Thanks for all your time and effort maintaining the financial integrity of the club **John**.

Walter Yakimets reported on the health of the club stating that our friend **Ed Edlund** continues to improve. As was indicated in the last Gyrolog, he is at is 9733 90th Ave., and the phone number is 439-8167.

Peter Carter introduced our guest speaker, Wayne Gorman, who is running a 33-week project to assist aboriginal artists to attain self-employment. Wayne's ancestry includes Huron, Iroquois, and Irish bloodlines. He has Doctorates in Anthropology and Education.

Wayne talked about aboriginal cultures and the tendency of all to acknowledge a greater being and their ancestors. The project has 10 students with ancestry of Sioux, Cree, Mohawk and Dene, all who have different languages and belief systems, but that have similar spiritual systems. When they come together around a table to explore where they are going, they develop relationships and a common approach.

Dave Duchak suggested to me that I include the names and addresses etc. of our newest members and about to become members in the Gyrolog so that you could put them in your roster. Thank you **Dave**, that was a good suggestion. The newest member is **Geoff Brewer** and his wife **Diane** who live at 62 Wilkin Road, T6M 2K4, and their phone number is 444-6080. The two about to be members are **Ted Hageman** and **Joe Ramsay**. **Ted** and his wife **Petra** live at 308 Rehwinkel Close and their phone number is 435-2833. **Joe** and his wife **Ann** live at 206, 10915 – 21 Ave., T6J ~~62~~^{6X2} and their phone number is 435-0919.

Second Posting: Joe Ramsay has submitted an application to join our club. His former neighbour **John Ross** is sponsoring Joe. Joe has resided in Edmonton for over 20 years and has been retired for the last year. He and his wife Ann have nine adult children, 33 grand children and 9 great grand children.

Our guest speaker, Wayne Gorman, drew four names from the deck before it was determined that the present and active Gyro, **Bob Lippe** won a free lunch. **Past President Jack Ellis** was not in attendance but his was not one of the first three names drawn. There may be hope for the rest of us yet.

Upcoming Events:

Haig Lewis has arranged for George Ferrand, the former regional manager of the Canadian Executive Services Organization to address us on July 6, 1999. He has had a long and varied career and will offer a very interesting presentation.

Barry Walker informs us that the annual gyro/gyrette golf tournament will be held on July 14, 1999 followed by a full steak BBQ at the ranch of **Florrie** and **Bryce Van Dusen**. Cost per person is \$17.00 for golf and \$17.00 for dinner. Make cheques payable to the Edmonton Gyro Club. The numbers must be confirmed by July 14th. Please provide prizes to **Barry** or **Roger Russell**.

The District VIII Convention is scheduled for August 5-8, 1999 at the Prestige Inn in Cranbrook B.C. The cost is \$275 per couple that includes dinner on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, the women's brunch on Saturday and the Flyaway breakfast on Sunday.

The Sherwood Park Club is organizing a Quad Club Golf Event for August 30, 1999. Mark the date so that you will be available, and details will follow.

The Sherwood Park Club will also be hosting the **District VIII Convention** in the year 2000 at the Fantasyland Hotel.