

# THE GYROLOG



THE GYRO CLUB OF EDMONTON  
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July 30, 1980

## NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, August 5, 1980, Mayfair Golf and Country Club at 12.15 p.m.

## BIRTHDAYS

Andy Garabott	July 21	Kem McKenzie	July 23
Lou Tremblay	July 27	Stew Graham	July 28
Bruce Sansom	July 30	Russ Carter	August 1
Al McClure	August 14	Dave Duchak	August 18

"The only thing worthwhile when you grow older is watching people grow."

-Frances Steloff-

## SECOND POSTING

1. Thomas R. Hunt, Consulting Engineer  
313, 5125 Riverbend Road  
EDMONTON, Alberta  
Sponsors: Dave Burnett and Dave Duchak
2. Robert G. Kerrison, Proprietor June's House of Fashion  
37 Grosvenor Boulevard  
SE. ALBERT, Alberta  
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## SICK AND VISITING

Bill Robinson reported that Neil McKernan was a patient in the Royal Alexandra Hospital.

## THIS WEEK

In the absence of President Bert Boren, 2nd Vice-President Tommy Douglas took the chair. He called upon Bob Sheldon to introduce his guest, son Larry of Calgary, who was visiting in the city.

Howard Wilson then reported on the District VIII Convention held in Lethbridge in early July. He stated that the Edmonton 1981 Convention was well advertised with a large banner and the distribution of kits which contained a pen, coasters, and brochures etc. He suggested that the Edmonton members should identify themselves by wearing a distinctive costume such as a vest or a hat etc.

The District VIII Constitution would be amended by the following appointed Committee: Keith Lowings and Alden Hull. District Dues were increased to \$12.00 per year, and International Dues to \$18.00 per year, both payable in half-yearly instalments. The date and place chosen for the Annual Curl-A-Rama were the last week-end in November and the

Voyageur Inn at Banff, Alberta.

It was decided to hold the Interim Meeting at Cranbrook, B.C. the second week in March. Accommodation would cost \$28.00 per night.

On the whole, said Howard, it was an excellent convention undertaken by a Club with a relatively limited number of members. Congratulations to Lethbridge!

The winners of the various competitions follow:

Golf Trophy - Ed Konkin of Trail, B.C.

Skit - Cranbrook, B.C.

Man-Mile Award - Saskatoon, Sask.

Best Bulletin - Sherwood Park, Alberta  
Rick Gowater, Editor

Best Secretary - Dante B. Tye, Spokane, Washington.

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A Merit Award was presented to Dr. Edgar Fitzgerald of Wallace, Idaho for long and distinguished <sup>service</sup> to Gyro.

The following District VIII Officers were elected:

Governor - Hugo Hess, Cranbrook, B.C.  
1st Lieut.-Governor - Russ Morbeck, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho  
2nd Lieut.-Governor - Ian Greig, Stampede City, Calgary, Alberta  
Sec.-Treas. - Gordon Pascuzzo, Cranbrook, B.C.  
I.P.G. - Alden Hull, Wallace, Idaho

Next on the program was a presentation by Russ Carter of a 40-Year Certificate of Membership in Gyro to Stew Graham. Russ, a long time friend of Stew, gave a brief resumé of his (Stew's) life. Born near Ayr, Scotland in the early part of the century, he came as a child to Winnipeg in 1910. In 1936 he moved to Edmonton where he was employed by the Toric Optical Co. A few years later he joined the staff of the Imperial Optical Co. becoming Manager in 1967.

During his years in Edmonton Stew has given freely of his talents, having served a two-year stint as a member of the Edmonton Public School Board.

He has a keen interest in golf, being President at one time of the Justice Walsh Seniors' Golf Association. He, too, is better than a raw hand on the course itself.

His hobby is woodworking, at which he has been described by his knowledgeable friends as an expert.

In his retirement years Stew spends his winters in Yuma, Arizona where he is on the Board of Governors of the Desert Grove Estates.

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Over the years he has been a loyal and faithful member of the Edmonton Gyro Club over which he presided in 1962.

In accepting the 40-Year Certificate Stew stated that he appreciated the privilege of membership in the Edmonton Gyro Club where he had so many fine friends. He regretted that he was unable to attend all the meetings because of his unavoidable absence from the city during the winter months. But he was happy to be kept informed of Gyro activities. Wes Van Dusen dropped in to bring greetings from the Vancouver Gyro Club and was welcomed by Chairman Tom. It was also an opportunity for him to unwind after the recent exciting experience of giving away his youngest daughter in marriage.

Wes also always has an interesting story to tell of his latest travels. This time it was

of a voyage through the Inland Passage to Alaska on the Russian Cruise Ship Odessa. The  
described  
accommodation, food, and service, he ~~XXXX~~ as excellent. Nightly entertainment was  
provided in the form of singing and dancing. The ship being relatively small, said Wes,  
could sail far into the Alaskan fiords, where the scenery at this time of year was almost  
beyond description. They were able to disembark at Juneau for a 40-mile trip via the  
narrow gauge White Pass Railway built during the gold rush days. The old Yukon Trail of  
98 was still visible, he noted.

Having run out of space and time we must close this off with a cheerio!

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