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#### **Editor**

Allan Douglas Phone/Fax 433-5409 President Victor welcomed a grand crowd of 34 Gyros and two guests on this wonderfully warm summer day. Roger Russell led us in Cheerio and the Rev. Bill Graham asked the blessing.

Dick Nichols introduced his guest Del Salls who was installed as a new member today, and Bruce Foy introduced his friend Eric

Health of the Club: It was reported that **Walter Yakimets** was under the weather suffering from a painful kidney stone attack. He is now recovering. Speedy recovery Walter.

Marty Larson gave a report on the recent International Convention held in Halifax, Nova Scotia. Marty and Shirley attended along with Gerry Glassford and Alice. There were 419 attendees, and the highlight of the special events for Marty was the Military Tattoo. The Sherwood Park Club did itself proud by winning the new membership award with a total of 10 new members.

President Victor presented a handout on the upcoming District VIII convention put on by the Crossroads Club. The convention will be held from Thursday, August 8, to Sunday, August 11, at the Coast Terrace Inn. This is an important event for our club as our own Gerry Glassford will be installed as District Governor. This is an outstanding achievement for Gerry and we should all be there to show our support. This is also an ideal opportunity for any member who has not as yet had the chance to attend a District convention to go and participate—right in our own back yard., We can also show support for our fellow Crossroads Club which even with their small membership will put on an excellent convention.

**President Victor** also identified that the Crossroads Club has broken down the costs so that those of you who cannot attend all 4 days can attend individual events. This breakdown is as follows:

**Thursday evening-** registration, hospitality, light meal is \$45 per couple.

Friday afternoon and evening – The World Cup of Bocce and a BBQ at the Ellerslie Rugby Club at 11004 Ellerslie Rd. The cost for this portion is \$90 per couple.

Saturday Ladies Brunch. 10:00a.m. to noon. \$25 per person.

**Saturday evening** is the Gala Dinner and Grease Ball. This is the highlight of the Convention with the installation of our Gerry Glassford as District Governor, followed by entertainment and dancing featuring the NOMADS. Cost is only \$130 a couple.

Sunday: Breakfast 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Cost-\$30 per couple.

First Lieutenant Governor, Gerry Glassford then installed our newest member, Del Salls. Del was proposed by Dick Nichols. Del was warmly welcomed by all the members in attendance, after which he gave a very interesting biography of himself.

Del was born and raised in North Eastern Alberta on what he lovingly called a "stump farm". Fairly early in his life he realized he was not cut out to be a "stump farmer", so he made his way to Edmonton, and began his training in the sheet metal industry. When he discovered he was more of a leader than a follower, he started his own business, Alpine Heating, in 1961, building and expanding it over the next 30 plus years. He sold it in 1999. He has been retired for nearly 2 ½ years, and he and his wife, Darlene, enjoy traveling in their motorhome in the winter months. He has also taken up the sports of Golf and Skiing recently.

Welcome to Gyro, Del, and Darlene. We know you will enjoy this club immensely as you become more and more involved.

The Winner of the free lunch or license plate or license plate frame was Peter Butler.

The draw for the "Lucky Gyro" was again Roger Russell

#### **Upcoming Events**

The Edmonton Gyro Clubs' Annual Mixed Golf Tournament will be held on Wednesday, July 31, at the Westridge Golf Club. This will be followed by a BBQ at the Westridge Lodge. Barry Walker and Roger Russell are still looking for prizes, and also cheques from those who have not as yet paid. The motto is "no pay, no play". So get your prizes and money in as soon as possible.

There will be **no regular meeting August 6**, as that is the week of the District VII Convention in Edmonton.

The Crossroads Gyro Club is sponsoring the District VIII Convention from August 8<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> 2002. There is a 50's theme and it is entitled "The Grease Ball". The Nomads will be providing the musical entertainment. The cost of registration is \$275 per couple or \$150 single. Let's have a good turnout to support our fellow club!

August 20. Regular luncheon meeting to be held at Fort Edmonton. Bob Lippe and John Ross have arranged for a great time at the park including a talk by one of the carvers of the wooden horses to be used in the reconstruction of an old fashioned Carousel at the Fort. This Carousel is a major project currently underway at the Fort.

Admission cost is \$6.00. Bring your own picnic lunch and we will eat at the Gyro Park. For those so inclined there will be a confectionary store open to purchase a small meal and refreshments. Meet at 11:30 a.m. at a Gyro bronze plaque at the Entrance to Fort Edmonton.

The fourth Annual Gyro/Gyrette Quad Club Golf Tournament will again be played at the Legends, the afternoon of **September 6<sup>th</sup>**. The cost will be \$52 for golf and dinner and \$25 for dinner only. Advise of handicaps when registering. Contact **Marty** for details.

**September 29-** Day at the Races. John Stroppa is again organizing this very enjoyable event. We will have our own sky suite for this event. The doors open at 12:30 p.m., with the first race at 1:00 p.m. This cost is \$22 per member and Gyrette, and \$27 for non members. This cost included admission to our private suite, and a delicious buffet lunch-so don't eat before you come. John will take payment for tickets anytime, with the latest you can pay being at our September 17 meeting. Plan to take in this fun event.

October 22 will be Founders Night this year and we are the host club. President Victor has arranged for a very interesting speaker in the person of Wayne Sartore, Vice President of Northern Pipeline development for Enbridge Inc. He will be talking about the proposed pipelines to carry petroleum products from Alaska to the US, and the potential economic effect on Alberta

Gerry Glassford advises us that the Immediate Past International President, Larry Braun, has suffered a heart attack and is currently recovering. We wish Larry a speedy and full recovery.

Same Old Bull

Allan

