

THE GYROLOG

THE GYRO CLUB OF EDMONTON Club Charter No.18, July 29, 1921

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Those celebrating their birthdays are **Gerry Glassford** on the 5th, **Bruce Swanson** on the 8th, **Michael Mant** on the 18th and **Peter Carter** on the 25th. Those celebrating their wedding anniversaries are **Bill Taylor** and **Marie Losier**, 34 years on the 1st; **David** and **Marlene Burnett**, 51 years on the 3rd; **Warren** and **Vicki Garbutt**, 58 years on the 5th; **Mort** and **Jean Morter**, 66 years on the 5th; **Ron** and **Theresa Trant**, 29 years on the 9th; **John** and **Marion Boyd**, 49 years on the 21st and **Bruce** and **Margaret Foy**, 57 years on the 24th.

DRINKS ARE BEST MIXED WITH FRIENDS

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A new wine for seniors

California vintners in the Napa Valley area, which primarily produces Pinot Blanc, Pinot Noir and Pinot Grigio wines, have developed a new hybrid grape that acts as an anti-diuretic. It is expected to reduce the number of trips older people have to make to the bathroom during the night.

The new wine will be marketed as Pino More.

Eighty-Five Gyros and Gyrettes attended the 11th Annual Corn Roast and Bocce Tourney held at the Dayspring Presbyterian Church on September 5th. Following a long-standing tradition, the attendees were treated to succulent chicken, delicious corn, a variety of salads, buns, and cake for dessert.

The bocce tourney was hard fought on reasonably level ground under the scrutiny of **Bill Taylor**, **Marie Losier** and **Ken Willan**. The overall winners were **Bruce** and **Bronwyn Swanson**, **Peter Carter**, and **Eileen Kuhl**. The second-place winners were **Bill Taylor**, **Marie Losier**, **Myrna Slobodan** and **Sylvia Little**



Peter Carter Eileen Kuhl Bronwyn Swanson Bruce Swanson

Thanks to Barry and Valerie Walker, Roger Russell, David and Marlene Burnett, Tony and Care Mazzuca, and Bruce and Marg Foy for their hard work in making this corn roast our most popular mixed event of the year.



Marie Losier Bill Taylor Myrna Slobodan Sylvia Little

Please note that **Peter Carter's email address** was inadvertently left out of the new Club Roster. peter.carter@shaw.ca

President Ray Dallaire welcomed 31 Gyros and three guests to the September 19th luncheon meeting held at the Royal Mayfair Golf Club. **Jack Little** led the singing of Cheerio and **Allan Warrack** presented the Grace. **Bruce Swanson** introduced his guest, **Jim Olson**.

Taras Chmil introduced our two guest speakers from the **Edmonton Youth Justice Committee Society, Vincent Zalcik** and **Michelle Robichaud.**

Vincent has spent his career working with marginalized and at-risk populations in Alberta. Across both public and private non-profit organizations, he has worked frontline in correctional, mental health, child protection and community service settings. He also has significant leadership experience working in the non-profit sector, developing, and delivering programs that make our communities healthier, safer and more caring places. One of his current roles is as an Area Coordinator with the Edmonton Youth Justice Committee Society (EYJCS).

Michelle's father worked in the oil industry and as a result she lived in many towns throughout Alberta and Saskatchewan, as well as Africa and Iran. This somewhat nomadic lifestyle gave Michelle an appreciation of different people and different cultures. She graduated with a Bachelor of Education and Early Childhood Degree. Michelle has taught Kindergarten as well as adult classes at Grant MacEwan, and has worked with at risk youth and families while employed at a Family Resource Centre. One of her responsibilities at the Resource Centre was to supervise youth assigned Community Service hours as a sanction.

What are Youth Justice Committees?

Youth Justice Committees are volunteers from the community who assist the government in administering the Extra Judicial Sanctions Program (EXJS)

The EXJS Program provides the opportunity for young persons who have committed a less serious offence to avoid court proceedings and the possibility of receiving a criminal record.

Section 18 of the *Youth Criminal Justice Act* authorizes a province to establish a Youth Justice Committee within its communities.

Vince indicated that the Edmonton Society was founded in 1995. Previously the City of Edmonton operated the program. There are currently four part-time positions and 50 volunteers. Youth who are between the ages of 12-17 are eligible to be considered under the program.

Eligible Offences Include:

- Theft under \$5000
- Possession of property under \$5000
- Possession of a controlled substance
- Damage to property

- Mischief
- Fraud under \$5000
- Minor non-domestic assault

Police officers and Crown Attorneys both have the option to recommend/refer the young person to the Extrajudicial Sanctions Program.

Once a case has been referred to the Committee, the young person is required to attend a **Peace Sentencing Circle Hearing.** A circle hearing involves a young person appearing in front of volunteer members of EYJCSC. The victim and the parents and/or guardians of the youth are also invited to attend the hearing and provide input about the impact the youth's actions have had on them. The contextual background is especially relevant even for very minor offences such as shoplifting. Many of these youths are subject to verbal, physical and sexual abuse as well as absentee parenting.

Circle members discuss with the youth the circumstances surrounding the offence and how the youth feels he/she might make amends to society through the sanctions that will be determined. Based on those discussions all circle members determine appropriate sanctions for the youth. The youth must enter into a legal contract with the committee who sets the period for completion.

The whole process must be completed in six months. Successful completion results in no further action. Unsuccessful completion results in the file being returned to the Crown. 80% of youth successfully complete the program and very few are repeat offenders.

Michelle spoke of the communication issues that must be addressed between the youth and the Committee. Sometimes the only way a young person can initially communicate is through non-verbal ways such as art. Once the youth has put their feelings in a painting, they may be able to better describe their issues and problems. Michelle brought many samples of art work that have been drawn or painted by youth and left with the Committee.

The presentation concluded with some quotes from **Mother Theresa**.

Sheldon Weatherby thanked our speakers for a very thought-provoking presentation.

Taras Chmil was the Free Lunch winner.

"People are often unreasonable and self-centered.

Forgive them anyway.

If you are kind, people may accuse you of ulterior motives.

Be kind anyway.

If you are honest, people may cheat you.

Be honest anyway.

If you find happiness, people may be jealous.

Be happy anyway.

The good you do today may be forgotten tomorrow.

Do good anyway.

Give the world the best you have and it may never be enough.

Give your best anyway.

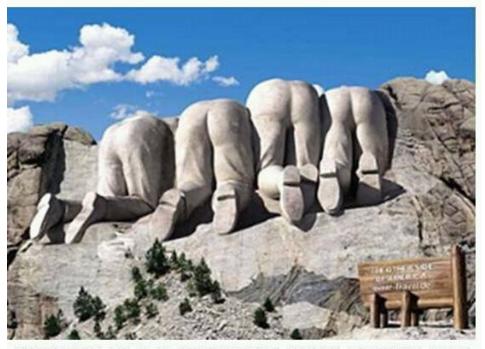
For you see, in the end, it is between you and God. It was never between you and them anyway."

~Mother Teresa

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You know, there are some things that you just never think of like Mt. Rushmore from the Canadian side.



YOU DON'T STOP LAUGHING BECAUSE YOU GET OLD, YOU GET OLD BECAUSE YOU STOP LAUGHING

'Fast Fred'

UPCOMING EVENTS

GYRETTE Luncheon Meeting, Royal Mayfair Golf Club, Tuesday, October 10th.

Time: Registration 11:30, Lunch 12:00 noon

Speaker: Sherry Mailo

Topic: Shepherd's Care Foundation and Seniors Housing

Contact: Jackie Evenson

Men's Gyro Bocce Event with Sherwood Park Gyro Club, Italian Seniors Centre, 91211-110 Ave. adjacent to Commonwealth Stadium, Wednesday, October 11th.

Bocce starts at 5:30 pm, Pasta dinner served at 7:00pm and then more bocce.

Three bocce courts available.

Cost: \$50 per person Contact: Mike Matei

Founder's Night Inter-Club Mixed Event, Host-Sherwood Park Gyro Club, Belvedere Golf and Country Club, on Hwy 21 south of Hwy 14 at Rge. Rd 514. Wednesday PM, October 25th.

Time: Cocktails 6:00 PM, Dinner 7:00, Program 8:00-9:00

Cost: Buffet Dinner \$45 per person

Edmonton Club Organizers: David Winfield and Bob Bahniuk

DISTRICT VIII CURL-A-RAMA, Banff, Alberta, November 3-5

Host: Gyro Club of Calgary

Cost: \$255 per curler or \$200 per non-curler which includes:

- A minimum of three six end games with prizes for winners and runners-up in four events.
- Two night's accommodation at the Voyager Inn based on double occupancy (\$120 extra for single occupancy).
- Gyro hospitality on Friday evening with snacks, a chili dinner and host bar
- Breakfast on Saturday and Sunday.
- Banquet dinner with wine on Saturday evening followed by a poker tournament.

Enter as a team, or individually, and you will be assigned to team. Guest's welcome.

Anyone interested in participating should contact Mike Matei.

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GYRO/GYRETTE Christmas Party, Riverview Room, Shaw Conference Centre, Tuesday December 5th

District VIII Convention, Nelson, B.C. June 7-10, 2018

Convention Hotel: Prestige Lakeside Resort, Gyro rates: \$140/night plus tax-City

side and \$160/night-Lake side.

Registration Fee: \$450/couple, single \$225

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GYRO International Convention, Abbey Resort, Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. June 25-29, 2018