## THE GYBLOG



## THE GYRO CLUB OF EDMONTON — EDMONTON — ALBERTA

28 September 1993

We had another good attendance at our last meeting on 22 September Including five guests, plus our guest speaker. We were pleased to welcome Allan & Gordon Pedden, who were introduced by their brotner Gyro John: Bernie Hiram (by Howard Wilson) Stan Rozell(by Bryce Van Dusen): and Kev. Gordon Cann (by Roger Russell)
Also visiting with us for the third meeting in a row, was Past "Poobah" of Gyro District VIII, Keith Bradley who performed a special duty, which you can read all about later in this bulletin.

Our special guest speaker today was Mr. Raymond Gail, a former Director of Canadian Affairs; also International Organizer, Speet Metal Workers' International Association, who was introduced by his long time friend, Gyro Andy Friderichsen.

Mr. Gall's topic was about the Free Trade Agreement concerning. Canada, United States & Mexico; including his thoughts as to the overall effects that this agreement will have on Canada by the year 2000.

His talk was very thought provoking and in his opinion - the effects of NAFTA so far

have not produced very favorable results.

Unfortunately due to the lengthly agenda of our meeting, there was insufficient time for much of a question and answer period, which might have produced some interesting debate. The thanks of our membership and guests for Mr. Gall's presentation. was nicely expressed by Dick Ogilvie.

The winner of the cash draw was Allan Douglas - good on ya Allan! and even though you had to leave before the meeting ended, I understand that your money is in good hands. The Gyro's name is available for a small fee.

Birthdays - greetings and best wishes to Tom Douglas and Gordon Robertson both of whom celebrate on October 2nd.

Gyro Plaque At Fort Edmonton Park - Our hard working Secretary Dick Ogilvie reported that the cairn and Gyro plaque at Fort Edmonton has been completed. The brass plaque contains the names of all the Gyro Playgrounds that our club provided over the years since 1922. The cost of this venture is approximately \$3000.00 and it was suggested that the proceeds from this year's Hockey Pool be used to defray the cost. This idea met with approval but we will need to increase the number of tickets to be sold, which can be done if we ALL get behind the selling campaign. Dick Ogilvie moved that the Hockey Pool funds be used as suggested. The motion was seconded by Jack Ellis and carried.

Coming Events - The Calgary Gyro Club Installation will be held on Saturday October 16th 1993, at the Blackfoot Inn, Calgary. Happy hour at 6.00 and dinner at 7.00 p.m. Cost is \$75.00 per couple which includes the Sunday morning breakfast. It is understood that so far we have 4 couples who plan on attending, and If anyone else is interested please call Ye Editor, John Stroppa or Marty Larson. There is a toll free number for the Blackfoot Inn (1-800-661-1151) for you to use for your accommodation. We need to let the Calgary Club know how many of us to expect, so let's be hearing from you by October 11th. Thanks!

Crossroads Gyrette's Whist Drive - Cathe Little called to advise that their annual mixed whist drive will be held on Friday Uctober 29th at 7.30 p.m. at the Highlands Masonic Hall at 5526 - 118th Avenue Edmonton. Cost is \$6.00 per person.

This is YOUR INVITATION from Crossroads to attend this most enjoyable social evening. If you plan on attending please call Lvy Rennie (or me) at 488-2856 by October 22nd, so that we can give Crossroads gals an attendance figure. Uh yes, please remember to bring a folding card table for use that evening.

Gyro Founders Night - Quad Club - will be held on Monday 18 Uctober 1993, with the Crossroads Club hosting. More details about this evening will be published in the next Gyrolog - meanwhile, please

mark your calendar now and plan on attending with a guest.

District VIII Annual Curl-a-rama - Mike Matei our Curling co-ordinator and Captain must have the names of the Gyros who plan on attending this year's event, which will be held on November 5 / 6 / 7, 1993, hosted this year by the Calgary Gyro Club. Location: Voyager Inn, 555 Banff Avenue, Banff, AB. Price Curiers \$130.00 for Non-Curiers Prizes: All clubs represented are assessed \$50.00. \$100.00 - based on double occupancy.

Mike needs the names of those who are going so give him a call now at (B) 458-9211 or (K) 458-4690. For the information of those who have not been to curl-a-rama, the price includes your accomodation(2 nights) curling; smorgasbord on Friday evening: 2 breakfasts and dinner on Saturday evening. (You'll never get a better deal anywhere).

Mike has done a good job of heading our contingent in the past and he needs our support again. Give him a call!!

Acknowledgements - President John Stroppa read a letter of thanks from Jan Fox, whom you will recall was our guest speaker at our meeting of September 7th. Jan was accompanied by ner father and mother, Pat & Dorothy Fox from Saskatoon, Sask., who also sent a note thanking our club for the hospitality. We learned that Pat Fox was a former member of the Saskatoon Gyro Club and had attended the D-8 curlarama: with that club in the past.

Gyro Licence Plate - most of us have seen or heard about the smart car licence plate that reads - GYRO - A FRATERNITY OF FRIENDSHIP - that you can put on the front of your car. Quite a number have already purchased one of these plates and Marty Larson reports that he has 12 of them left for sale. The plate is white with blue lettering - real sharp!! Anyone interested in publicizing Gyro in your travels, call Marty for a Gyro plate.

Gyrettes Corner - Gyrette Jean Lippe reports that the next meeting of the Gyrettes will be held on Tuesday evening 12 October 1993, at the Mayfair Golf Club at 6.30 p.m. Cost \$12.00. The speaker will be Mr. Howard Saunders, from the Public Relations Dept., of The Edmonton Public Library.

Membership - one of the most satisfying aspects of compiling this bulletin, is when we can report that we have increased our club membership. Two new members were inducted. into our club on September 21st; Patrick A. Rasko and Dean Paterson, both sponsored by (guess who) Marty Larson and seconded by Barry Walker, with Marty making the introductions.

Patrick Rasko, age 30, is married to Marty & Shirley's daughter Marcia. They reside at 11318 - 68 Street Edmonton, AB. T5B 1N7. Phone (R) 471-1286 (B) 453-3441. Pat works for Inter-Con Acoustics, who specialize in ceiling construction. He is a sports fan and golfer, who has a brother-in-law in the St. Albert Gyro Club.

Dean Paterson age, 34 and his wife Maureen, (who is a Public Health Nurse) live at 1991 Glenmore Avenue Sherwood Park, AB. T8A 0X7 Phone(R)464-7400 (B) 462-8626. Dean is an accountant with the firm of Mason Somerville. He too is sport minded and has played at our annual golf tournament.

These two young men were officially inducted into Gyro by Past Governor District 8, Keith Bradley of the Sherwood Park Gyro Club. Keith conducted the induction in his usual efficient, capable and informative manner suitably laced with his quick sense of humor and repartee. Thanks Keith for a job well done.

To Pat & Dean, welcome to Gyro, may you enjoy a long, active, happy relationship in our family of Gyro friends.

The following excerpt is taken from the Bellingham Gyro Club Bulletin, which seems to be appropriate at this time. (Quote) - New Membership - There are moments when things go well and one feels encouraged. There are difficult moments and one feels overwhelmed. But it is senseless to speak of optimism or pessimism. The only important thing to know, that if one works well in the potato field, the potatoes will grow.

If one works at Gyro, Gyro will grow. The rest is all smoke. (Unquote)

Laughter is the best medicine - a fellow seated at a bar, watched a woman come in and drink four martinis rather quickly, with no apparent effect. His curiousity got the best of him, so he leaned over and asked her "if five would make her dizzy?". To which she replied, "the price is right but my name is Daisy".

## OUR NEXT MELTING

THE DATE - TUESDAY OCTOBER 5th, 1993

THE PLACE - MAYFAIR GOLF CLUB

THE TIME - 12.00 NOON

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Program Team No.12 with Captain Allan Ursulak: Marty Larson, and Mel Snihurowych, are in charge of arrangements.

The guest speaker will be Mr. Laurie Scott, Senior Marketing Analyst with Canada Mortgage & Housing. His topic will be on the Edmonton Housing Market & forecast for 1993/94.

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See you. (retread)