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THE GYRO CLUB OF EDMONTON  
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At our last meeting on 5 December, the usual format prevailed with "Melodious Mills" directing Cheerio and our Padre providing the blessing. President John Pedden welcomed Norm Williams (a guest of David Burnett's) and Roy Bennett (guest of Allan Warrack's) as well as Jack Ellis whom whom we hope to welcome as a new member.

Our guest speaker today was our own Reverend William J. (Bill) Graham who delivered his annual Christmas message. Bert Boren introduced Gyro Bill who provided us with a special version of the Twelve Days Of Christmas with a degree of jocularly that only he could project. He then read a very interesting and thought provoking letter from a man by the name of Godfrey L. Smith, which clearly revealed how far we have wandered away from the real meaning of Christmas. The appreciation of these assembled was nicely expressed to Rev. Bill by Andy Carabott.

Birthdays - Merrill Morstad, who by now will have celebrated another milestone on 7 December, was the recipient of best wishes and a birthday song. Hope you had a happy day Merrill!

Health & Welfare - Allan Ursulak is feeling better after being sick for a time - cause still unknown. He is looking pretty good but has lost some weight.

We understand that Nita Brown is back in the Youville section of the General Hospital recovering from a fractured hip.

We just recently learned that Pat Sharp had been injured in a car accident and had been in hospital. She is recovering with the aid of therapy.

Eleanor Robertson fell at her home recently and suffered some bumps and bruises, but she is apparently coming along alright.

Stan Smith advised that he is going into hospital soon for an operation, which he described as nothing major, but he does feel it may affect his social life for a time. It is good to have Stan attending and apparently enjoying our meetings, replete with "sound".

On the brighter side - our congratulations to Mort & Jean Morter who became grand parents again recently. All are doing well - including Grandpa and Grandma!

Mail call - President John read a post card from Howard & Amy Wilson, written while they were on a cruise in the company of Garnet & Pat Nelson, our Gyro friends who live in Kelowna, B.C.

~~A newsletter was received from the Centre for Gerontology in which they acknowledged and thanked our Club, for establishing the Gyro Endowment Fund for the Centre for Gerontology. They also expressed their appreciation to the following members of Gyro for their individual support:- David Duchak: Marty Larson: Dan Lawton: John Ross: Roger Russell: Gordon Rennie and John Monroe, second Vice President of Gyro International. We hope that this type of support will continue and grow.~~

Our congratulations to Neil Sheidow, who will be installed as the Worshipful Master of his Masonic Lodge, Ivanhoe 142, on 21 December 1989.

Christmas Bureau - Harry Mills who is our Club representative at the Christmas Bureau, made the motion, seconded by Allan Warrack, that our club make a donation from the Benevolent Fund to the Christmas Bureau, as in previous years. (motion carried).

Curl-a-rama - Marty Larson reported on the D-8 Annual Curling held in Banff, 1-3 December 1989. There were 22 rinks competing, supported by several others including coaches, managers & gofers. We had 3 rinks this year, skipped by Mike Matei, Harry Mills & Marty Larson, with 2 of them reaching the semi-finals of the "A" Event and the other the semi-s in "B" Event. However they all lost out at the same time in the Sunday draw. It was a fun event and we look forward to next year, when by the way, we are responsible for the wake-up committee.

Frank Koide of the Frand Forks Club won the draw - a portable telephone. The prize winning rinks were: A Event, Grand Forks No.1, runner-up Grand Forks No.2. B Event, Lethbridge No.2, runner-up Lethbridge No.1, C Event, Nelson No.2, runner-up Cranbrook No.1, D Event Stampede City No.1, runner-up Trail No.1. E Event, Nelson No.2, runner-up Crossroads. Our thanks to the Calgary Gyro Club for arrangements - we look forward to the 1990 'spiel.

Christmas Party 15 December - by now everyone knows the what, where, how much etc. However Mr. John Kachbar, general manager of the Mayfield Inn, has made a donation to our club of two gift certificates to Stage West, which will be drawn for at the Christmas Party. Who knows you may be lucky, so make sure you get your tickets from Andy Carabott.

Hockey Pool - winners 2 December: \$10.00 Ticket 2304 Roseann Lawton and 2490 Hilda Walker.  
\$15.00 Ticket 2225 Larry Dobson: Ticket 2381 Adam Letawski: Ticket 2411 S.W.Hill  
\$25.00 " 2393 Lorraine Welch: " 2445 Stewart Graham.  
Winners on 9 December:  
\$10.00 Ticket 2370 Derek Briggs: Ticket 2500 Mrs. M. McClure (Winnipeg, Man)  
\$15.00 " 2225 Graham Reynolds " 2381 Sarah Reynolds: Ticket 2411 Jim Edgar.  
\$25.00 " 2222 Don Maskell " 2393 Roger Russell: " 2423 Bob Pringle

When Harry Mills provided the above information, he wished to express his thanks to everyone for their co-operation in selling tickets again this year. He would like everyone to check and see if they have ticket numbers 2207 and 2229 because they have still not been turned in to him. If they can be rounded up it will help Harry a great deal. Thanks.

Membership - Second Posting - Jack Ellis, 12427 - 51 Avenue Edmonton, T6H 0M7 (R) 435-2439  
President/Managing Director - Jacktari Resources. Business address and phone same as above.  
Wife's name Teresa. - Sponsored by Merrill Morstad, Seconded by Marty Larson.

First Posting - Norm E. Williams, 1071 - 109 Street Edmonton. T6J 5G3 (R) 434-4457 Retired.  
Wife's name Joan. - Sponsored by David Burnett, Seconded by Gunnar Anderson.

Gyro Club Tie - quite a number of our members have seen our new tie, which will make a fine addition to your wardrobe. There were 23 sold at our last meeting and those who didn't pick one (or more) can do so on 19 December.

Change of meeting dates for January 1990 - Normally we meet on the first and third Tuesdays each month. However because the first Tuesday in January falls on the 2nd, a number of Gyros felt the date should be changed to 9 January. A vote was held and the majority opted for meeting on January 9th. Subsequently the second meeting for that month will be held on January 23rd. Please mark the change on your calendar now.

Tri-Club Installation date changed - it was announced at our last meeting that the annual Tri-Club Installation would be held on Saturday 14 April 1990. However it became necessary to change the date to APRIL 7th - due to Easter and other considerations. Consequently the date for the ski week-end that had been set for April 7-8 will be changed. More on this later.

Revised scheduled of club meetings 1990.

Tuesday 9 January 1990 - Mayfair Golf Club. (Team No.10) Larry Dobson. Our guest speaker on that occasion will be Dr. Larry Wang, Professor of Zoology, University of Alberta; whose topic will be "Winter Survival - Eat For Heat."

Tuesday 23 January - at Mayfair Golf Club. (Team No.11) Dick Ogilvie.

MONDAY 5 February - Night Meeting, (Team 14) Bill Agnew - Bocci Night, Italian Cultural Centre.

Tuesday 20 " - at Mayfair Golf Club - (Team 15) Boyd Slavik.

Tuesday 6 March " " " " - (Team 17) Ed Edlund.

Tuesday 20 " - " " Election of Officers and Primary Ballot for Directors.

Tuesday 3 April - " " Annual Meeting - Committee Reports and Election of Directors.

Saturday 7 April - Tri-Club Installation Party - Santa Marie Goretti Community Centre.

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District 8 - Gyro District 8 Interim Meeting - 16-18 March 1990, Fairmont Hot Springs, B.C.

Gyro International - Interim Meeting 24-28 January 1990 - Gene Autry Hotel, Palm Springs, CA

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Change of Address - Our esteemed Governor of Gyro District 8, Keith Bradley (the Great Poobah) has moved. His new address is:- #2 Winfield Heights, 52210 Range Road 232, Sherwood Park, AB. T8B 1B9. Same phone 467-2786. All creditors please note, also those sending Christmas cards!

Thought for the day

Don't judge a book by it's cover  
Or people at first glance.  
You must read the pages of a book  
Give people a second chance.  
You've got to get to know them  
Like the characters in a book,  
So don't judge them by their covers  
Take a longer, closer look.

Smiles & chuckles - Sign on a front yard gate: Help an Unwed.Mother - Take One of Her Kittens!

Garage Sale - where we sell odds to meet ends.(plagiarized from Al McFadden's Lethbridge letter)

Over-eating makes you thick at the stomach. (David Duchak)

The only time success comes before work is in the dictionary. (Larry Dobson)

To err is human - but to really screw things up requires a computer. (Ron Ewoniak)

Nothing makes a man work like being debt propelled. (Tom Douglas)

My greatest strength as a consultant, is to be ignorant and ask a few questions. (Ed Edlund)

Every survival kit should include a sense of humor. (Andy Carabott)

Political bedfellows - men who usually use the same bunk. (Ivan Ivankovich)

Our next meeting will be held at the Mayfair Golf Club at 12.00 noon on Tuesday 19 December 1989.

Program Team No.5 with Allan Ursulak and members. At press time we can't tell you what the program will be; however we can say that a certain Gyro will receive a 25 year membership certificate. His name escapes me but his initials are MLL. He was inoculated at an early age with Akvavit which had a strange effect on his vocal cords, which was aptly diagnosed as "perpetual motion." The saying "conspicuous by his absence" would be a contradiction in terms in his case - he is always conspicuous and seldom absent - but then in Gyro we take all kinds. The entrance requirements to our Club must have been pretty lax 25 years ago - but so be it! Damn I wish I could think of his name!! However come out and congratulate him on his 25 years and our club for it's tolerance.

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