

## THE GYROLOG

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

President-Dunc Mills, Past President-Chuck Gerhart

1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President-Ron Trant
Secretary-Barry Walker, Treasurer-David Burnett,
Directors- Doug Armstrong, Ray Dallaire,
Dan Hasinoff, Martin Marshall, Peter Carter (Ex-Officio)
Gyrolog Editor-Fred Schulte

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# **APRIL 2022**

Those celebrating their birthdays are Jack Little on the 1<sup>st</sup>, Larry Wang on the 5<sup>th</sup>, Fred Schulte on the 13<sup>th</sup>, Hank Mottl on the 12<sup>th</sup>, Len Evenson on the 13<sup>th</sup>, David Burnett on the 18<sup>th</sup> and Allan Warrack, 85 on the 24<sup>th</sup>.

Those celebrating their wedding anniversaries are Val and Linda Pohl, 55 years on the 1<sup>st</sup>; Trevor "ET" Mowbrey and Guiju Hu, 3 years on the 12<sup>th</sup>; Sheldon and Judy Weatherby, 51 years on the 15<sup>th</sup>; Fred and Paulette Schulte, 54 years on the 18<sup>th</sup>; Jack and Steffany Bowen, 28 years on the 21<sup>st</sup> and Chuck and Myrna Gerhart, 57 years on the 22<sup>nd</sup>.

#### The GYRO CLUB of EDMONTON FUND 2022

The Gyro Club of Edmonton signed a formal agreement with the **Edmonton Community Foundation** on April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2008, to establish the **Gyro Club of Edmonton Fund.** This initiative was consistent with our club history of financially supporting children/youth and seniors.

An initial grant of \$16,500 was made from our club's longstanding **Benevolence Fund**. The annual interest generated by our fund would provide playground equipment to upgrade those Edmonton inner-city community play spaces that are fully open to the public. Our club donated an additional \$4000 in 2013.

The fund has continued to grow within the larger Edmonton Community Foundation which currently has an endowment base of \$560 million and has provided more than \$240 million in grants to hundreds of charities since 1989.

#### The Gyro Club of Edmonton Fund

Available to grant in 2022	\$4,265
Balance, end of 2021	\$60, 135
Grants	(1,773)
Net investment income	7,467
Donations received	4,590
Balance, beginning of 2021	\$50, 209

**President Dunc Mills** welcomed 26 Gyros and two guests to the April 5<sup>th</sup> luncheon meeting held at the Derrick Golf and Winter Club.

**Daryl Dyck** introduced his guest, Councilor **Glen Finstad** of the City of Leduc.

**Sam Gruden** led the singing of Cheerio and **Heinrich Grosskopf** presented the Grace.

President Dunc introduced our guest speaker, Nick Parkinson, President, and CEO of YMCA of Northern Alberta. Nick is a nephew of David Winfield, President of our club until his passing in February 2020. Nick has been with the YMCA for 35 years. He received his Education degree and started teaching fitness at the Downtown YMCA in Edmonton.

YMCA of Northern Alberta is a registered charity dedicated to building healthy communities since 1907. From providing quality child care and supporting people in their health and wellness to providing important housing and community outreach programs, the YMCA of Northern Alberta works to strengthen communities in the Wood Buffalo, Grande Prairie, Edmonton, and Red Deer regions.

On 6th June 1844, George Williams, together with ten Christian young men, established the YMCA in London England "Our object is the improvement of the spiritual condition of the young men engaged in houses of business, by the formation of Bible classes, family and social prayer meetings, mutual improvement societies, or any other spiritual agency". Williams was knighted by Queen Victoria in 1894, and after his death was commemorated with a stained-glass window in the nave of Westminster Abbey. Sir George Williams is buried in St. Paul's Cathedral.

The first YMCA in North America opened in Montreal in 1851.

The YMCA is the largest provider of childcare with 60 locations in Alberta. Children from infants to 12-year old's are accommodated throughout the year with early learning programs, kindercare, before and after school care and summer camps.

YMCA Youth Transitions Program (YTP) is a free service focused on providing support to youth aged 13–19 who are facing barriers in their lives. These barriers could be related to school, employment, peers, family, housing, addictions. This program is offered in-person in the Edmonton region, and virtually throughout Alberta.

The **Bridging the Gap program** offers younger job seekers (aged 15-30), a 20-week employment readiness program that enhances skills through practical training and twelve-week work placement. The program is offered in Grande Prairie, Wood Buffalo region and Red Deer region.

The **Youth Diversion Program** redirects youth away from the criminal justice system through connections with positive community supports, in partnership with Edmonton Police Service's *DIVERSION first* program.

#### **Edmonton Housing Support.**

Housing First is founded on the principle that every person has the right to a safe, secure home. The focus is on ending homelessness by providing permanent housing and follow-up support. The **Melcor YMCA Village** consisting of 149 units of near-market housing provides accommodation for 828 individuals in Edmonton's downtown.

Covid-10 has had a significant user impact at the Edmonton Fitness Centres. In 2019, 20,000 people were served, in January 2022 we were serving 9,000.

YMCAs are located in 120 countries around the world. Twenty-four YMCAs in Canada are currently engaged internationally with 16 YMCAs located in 14 countries. Ukraine has 22 YMCAs, of which 17 are still in operation.

A question was raised regarding **donations to the Ukraine**. You can go to the YMCA Europe website to donate or the Edmonton YMCA website and specify Ukraine.

Treasurer David Burnett presented the Gyro Club of Edmonton Budget For the Year Ending April 30, 2023.

Highlights of the budget:

- Member's dues reduced to \$115 due to travel and other expenses that will not be incurred because of Covid-19. (Dues for this year ending April 30 were reduced to zero).
- Honourariums have been eliminated effective May 1, 2022.
- The 2022/23 Budget does not reflect any increase in membership.

On a motion by **Treasurer David** and seconded by **Doug Armstrong**, the 2022/23 Budget was approved unanimously.

Treasurer David initiated a discussion and motion regarding the **new member Initiation Fee** which currently is \$75 but actual costs are about \$100. A contrary motion/discussion was introduced to completely eliminate the fee and absorb the cost. A majority of the members approved the fee increase to \$100.

We acknowledge the resignations of **Ari (Dutch) Hoeksema, Taras Chmil** and **Jim Lochhead.** 

**Ari** was sponsored by **Bryce Van Dusen** in 2008 and served as **President** in 2011-12. We wish Ari and Kathryn all the best in their future endeavours.

**Taras** was sponsored by **Bob Bahniuk** in 2015. We wish Taras and Patricia all the best.

Jim was sponsored by **Barry Walker** in 2010. We wish Jim and Sandy McDonald all the best in their future cycling activities.

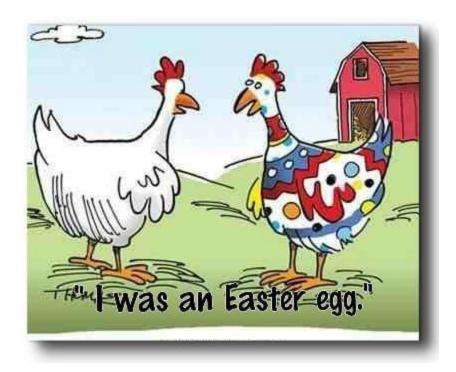
**Past President Chuck Gerhart** presented the proposed Slate of Officers. As there were no nominations from the floor, **Marty Larson** moved, and **Val Pohl** seconded the motion to approve the proposed slate.

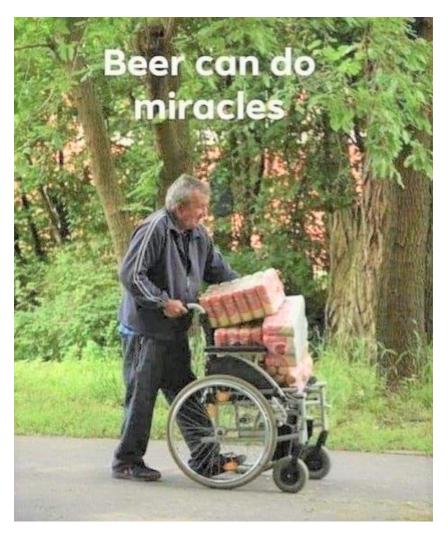
# **Approved Edmonton Club Slate of Officers**

May 1, 2022, to April 30, 2023

President	Ron Trant				
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice-President	Jack Bowen				
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice-President	Martin Marshall				
<b>Past President</b>	Dunc Mills				
Secretary	Barry Walker				
Treasurer	David Burnett				
Directors	Dan Hasinoff (3 <sup>rd</sup> Year)				
	Bruce Foy (2 <sup>nd</sup> Year)				
	Jim Lepp (1st Year)				
	Sheldon Weatherby (1st Year)				
Ex-Officio	Peter Carter				

Peter Carter won the Free Lunch draw.





**President Dunc Mills** welcomed 40 Gyros and one guest to our Annual **Club Officers and Directors Installation** at the Derrick Golf and Winter Club on April 19<sup>th</sup>.

**President Dunc also** welcomed **District Governor Sid Slade** and **Sharon**; and **Past District Governor Bernie Kropp** and **Brenda**, all from the Sherwood Park Gyro Club.

Cheerio was led by **Past District Governor Bernie Kropp** and the Grace was presented by **Heinrich Grosskopf. John Boyd** presented a welcoming tune on the xylophone.

President Dunc introduced Kathy Hawksworth, Counsel/Philanthropy Advisor, Edmonton Community Foundation (ECF).

**Kathy** advised that "philanthropy" is not talked about much! Lawyers and investment counsellors don't mention it often. Overtime... a "shift happens". There are tax leveraging opportunities, annual donations over \$200 are taxed at 50% off.

**Endowments** are a gift with a forever purpose. The gift creates a fund. **The Gyro Club of Edmonton Fund** has issued 13 grants totaling \$13,487 since 2011. Recent grants were to the Robin Hood Association and St. Alphonsus School.

The federal government has authorized an increased annual grant payout from the ECF Endowment Fund from 4% to 5% in 2023.

**The Edmonton Community Foundation (ECF)** has a variety of grants available:

- Community Grants
- Small Grants
- Youth Education Grants
- Student Awards
- Foundation Directed Initiatives

- Donor Advised Grants
- Designated Grants
- Environmental Operating Grants
- Other Grants

President Dunc thanked **Kathy** for her presentation and was given the choice of choosing one of three books as a token of our appreciation. She chose the book entitled *Giants of the Pacific Northwest, The Hunt Family Totem Poles* which was authored and signed by **Doug Armstrong** in person.

**President Dunc** presented a list of different names for **Money**.

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In temple or church, it's called *donation*
In school, it's *fee*
In marriage, it's called *dowry*
In divorce, it's called *alimony*
When you owe someone, it's called *debt*
When you pay the government, it's *tax*
In court, it's *fines*
Civil servant retires. It's *pension*
Employer to workers, it's *salary*
Master to subordinates, it's *wages*
To children, it's *allowance*
When you borrow from banks, it's *loan*
When you offer a good service, it's *tips*
To kidnappers, it's *ransom*
Illegally received in the name of service, it's *bribe*
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<sup>\*</sup>The question is, when a husband gives to his wife, what do we call it??

<sup>\*</sup>Answer: \*

<sup>\*</sup>Money given to your wife\*

<sup>\*</sup>is called DUTY, and every\*

<sup>\*</sup>man has to do his duty\*

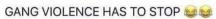
District Governor Sid Slade installed Bruce Foy and Dan Hasinoff as Directors; David Burnett as Treasurer, Dunc Mills as Past President, Jack Bowen as first Vice-President and Ron Trant as President.

**Past President Dunc** thanked everyone for all of their support and the members gave him a resounding response for his skillful management of a difficult Covid-19 year.

**President Ron Trant** presented his vision for the coming year and looks forward to working with all members.



Sid Slade Ron Trant Dunc Mills Dan Hasinoff
Jack Bowen Bruce Foy David Burnett





### Dick Nichols reports on the Hockey Pool Winners.

Game 16 March 24		Winners	First Period Se		Sec	ond	Final		
Oilers vs Sharks									
<b>First Period</b>	0	0	Dick Nichols Sharon Matei			Matei T	Tony Mazzuca		
Second	2	1	Lorraine Assheton-Smith Emma Hastings Barry Walker						
Final	5	2	Gary Campbell Jenelle McManus Emott Douglas					uglas	
Game 17 Apr	il 1		Winners First Period Sec			Seco	nd	Final	
Oilers vs Blue	es								
<b>First Period</b>	4	1	Darren Re	ad Stef	an Scorna	ienchi	Dunc N	1ills	
Second	5	3	Not Sold	old Malcom Ross			Alan Rusler		
Final	6	5	Samantha	Molofy	Georgia N	<b>Ackinnon</b>	Marty	Larson	
Game 18 Apr	il 9		Winners First Period Seco		nd	Final			
Oilers vs Ava	lanc	he							
First Period	0	0	Jack Li	ttle	Jack I	Little 1	Morgan I	Power	
Second	0	0	Heinrich Gros	sskopf H	leinrich Gi	rosskopf	Walter \	/akimets	
Final	1	2	Marty	Larson	Marty L	arson	Trish Ba	aird	

"Fast Fred"

#### **Upcoming Events:**

Tuesday Luncheon Meeting, Derrick Golf and Winter Club, May 3rd

Time: 11:30 am, lunch 12:00 noon

**Speaker: Margo Long, President/CEO, Youth Empowerment & Support** 

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Topic: Why it is vital we focus on youth homelessness.

**Team Leader: Fred Schulte** 

Gyro International Officer Installation via Zoom, June 18th, Evening

Gyro District VIII Convention, Medicine Hat, Alberta, Sept. 22-2