



THE GYROLOG

THE GYRO CLUB OF EDMONTON

Club Charter No.15, July 29, 1921

**President-Sam Gruden, Past President-John Boyd,
Vice-President-John Mann, Secretary-Barry Walker, Treasurer-Gary Campbell,
Directors-Cliff French, Ari Hoeksema, David Dyck, Len Stevens
Database Administrator-John Ross, Gyrolog Editor-Fred Schulte**

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Those celebrating their birthdays in January are **John Ross, Cliff Revell** and **John Stroppa** on the 2nd; **Arv Hardin** on the 8th, **John Boyd** and **Jim Lochhead** on the 26th, **Bob Kerrison** on the 28th and **Jack Brown** on the 31st. There are no wedding anniversaries this month.

Health of the Club: **Hugh Moncrieff** has been suffering from the effects of a brain tumour and was moved from the Royal Alex Hospital to the Grey Nuns, Palliative Care Unit on January 22nd. Our thoughts and prayers go to Paula and their family.

Rob McLeod was inducted into the club on December 17th by **Past International President, Marty Larson**. Marty spoke about the founders of Gyro in 1912 and the legacy of the Edmonton Club which was founded 92 years ago in 1921. Sponsors, **Ari Hoeksema** and **Fred Schulte** were charged with the responsibility of mentoring Rob's roles and responsibilities in our club.



Fred Schulte

Rob McLeod

Photo by Allan Douglas
Marty Larson

President Sam Gruden welcomed 36 Gyros and four guests to the **January 7th** luncheon meeting held at the Royal Mayfair Golf Club. He then led us in Cheerio and **David Burnett** asked the blessing. **David Burnett** introduced his guest, **David Noble**. **Marty Larson**, introduced **Steven Rausch**, the Regional Director of Major Gift and Planned Giving at the University of Alberta who is involved in administering the Gyro Gerontology scholarships. **Mike Matei** introduced his guest and friend **Bob Kerrison**. Bob is a former member of the Calgary Gyro Club and was a member of our club until work demands got in the way. He is now retired and wants to rejoin our club.

Jack Little introduced our guest speaker, **Bruce Hogle** who recounted some of his experiences in 50 years of broadcasting. Bruce went to high school in Sudbury and played hockey with Tim Horton and George Armstrong. Bruce was in B.C. when the Sons of Freedom were active and one incident he covered was the burning of a village where 50 houses were burned to the ground with nothing left but fireplaces, chimneys and steel bed frames. The Sons of Freedom took legal action against the paper but the editor, Bill Curran, stuck to the story and fought back. After 5 years the paper won the court case.

In 1965 his father died and they wanted Bruce to replace him at CFRN. At one point rents were increasing 4 times per year in Edmonton and Bruce was involved in a campaign that saw Premier Lougheed establish rent controls. CFRN approached the Legislature to broadcast the proceedings live - a first for Canada. After dealing with some reluctance they were granted a three month trial period. As MLA's experienced constituents saying they saw their representative on TV, they appreciated the additional profile, so after the trial period they supported continuation of the live coverage. On our behalf, **Jack Little** thanked Bruce for his interesting presentation.

Thanks to Allan Douglas for taking notes while the Editor was on holidays!

More African Proverbs

He who learns, teaches.

One who runs alone cannot be outrun by another.

If the heart is sad, tears will flow.

The fool speaks, the wise man listens.

If you offend, ask for pardon; if offended, forgive.

Where there is no shame, there is no honour.

Anticipate the good so that you may enjoy it.

The fool is thirsty in the midst of water.

A good deed is something one returns.

Do not say the first thing that comes to your mind.

Compiled by Charlotte and Wolf Leslau, Peter Piper Press, 1962.

The Alberta Centre on Aging at the University of Alberta is an interdisciplinary research and education centre dedicated to the study of aging. The Centre's focus is on aging as a process, including but not exclusive to the situations of older adults. The Gyro Club of Edmonton has a long-standing relationship with the Centre and over the years individual club members and the club as a whole have generously donated funds for the establishment of the **Centre for Gerontology Fund**.

The endowment fund provides yearly, one undergraduate scholarship of \$700, and a Master's and PhD scholarship each of \$1200.

The Alberta Centre on Aging has completed the adjudication process for the 2013-2014 Gyro Club of Edmonton Graduate and Undergraduate Scholarships in Aging.

This year's recipient of the Gyro Club of Edmonton Graduate Scholarship in Aging at the PhD level is **Hannah O'Rourke**.

Hannah is a PhD student in Nursing. Her thesis is on promising intervention targets to improve quality of life for older adults with dementia and will defend in the fall of 2014. Her long term goal is to become an independent investigator with a program of research to design and test translatable, sustainable interventions to improve quality of life for older adults with dementia.

The recipient for the Master's level award is **Travis Featherstone**. Travis is in his second year with the Faculty of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Studies under the supervision of Dr. Scot Simpson.

His thesis focuses on the Impact of pharmacist intervention on health outcomes in diabetes in senior population. He has worked the last four years as a clinical pharmacist in supportive living in Edmonton. He was part of a team that developed an Anticoagulation Monitoring Program by Pharmacists in Supportive Living.

Travis also received the Gyro's Undergraduate Research Award for 2008-09.

Amanda Warnock is the recipient of the Undergraduate Scholarship in Aging. She is studying Neuroscience and will complete her undergraduate degree later this year. Her next step is to return next year for some additional undergraduate courses and possibly travel abroad with a research internship. She then plans on applying to medical school, where she hopes to specialize in psychiatry or neurology, where she believes that she will be able to direct her knowledge in assisting with diagnosis and treatment of mental diseases, including those that pertain to cognitive/physical decline and the aging process.

Sam Gruden and **Marty Larson** presented these scholarships at the **January 17th Research on Aging: Nibble, Nosh and Network Event** at the University of Alberta.

Dick Nichols reports on the results of the Hockey Pool.

Game 8	December 28	Winners	First Period	Second Period	Final
Oilers vs. Flyers					
First	2	0	Justin Bergevan	Brock Cook	Fred Schulte
Second	2	2	Bruce Swanson	Brook Ross	Bill Taylor
Final	3	4	Gyro	Gyro	Gyro

Game 9	January 5	Winners	First Period	Second Period	Final
Oilers vs. Lightning					
First	3	1	Andrea Scornaienchi	Marcia Kashani	Meeansa Chung
Second	3	3	Bea McKenzie	Bea McKenzie	David Ross
Final	5	3	Chuck Gerhart	Gary Campbell	Gyro

Game 10	January 10	Winners	First Period	Second Period	Final
Oilers vs. Penguins					
First	0	0	Rudy Lucas	Jill Hastings	Sam Hunt
Second	0	2	Chuck Gerhart	Hugh Moncrieff	Cohen Sellar
Final	4	3	Gerard Parker	Gyro	Sid Slade

Game 11	January 18	Winners	First Period	Second Period	Final
Oilers vs. Jets					
First	0	0	Jill Hastings (Holly)	Rob Burnett	Cheri Blain
Second	1	0	Jack Slobodan	Carla Walker	John Stroppa
Final	2	3	John Williams	Al MacKenzie	Val Pohl

Game 12 January 26 Winners First Period Second Period Final

Oilers vs. Predators

First	2	1	Jill Hastings	Steffen Scornaienchi	Mike Matei
Second	4	1	Hugh Moncrieff	Myrna Slobodan	John Mann
Final	5	1	Gyro	Augie Anniechiarlor	John Boyd

President Sam Gruden welcomed 35 Gyros and 10 guests to the **January 21st** luncheon meeting held at the Royal Mayfair Golf Club.

President Sam led the group in the singing of *Cheerio* and **Jim Lochhead** gave the blessing.

Ken Korchinski introduced his guest **John Collins**, **Jack Little**, his guest **Bruce Hogle**, **Larry Dobson**, his guest **Brian Steilo**, **Mike Matei**, his guests **Doug Clayton**, **Dave Geddes**, **Tim Cartmell** and **Schubert Kwan**. **Peter Carter** and **Bob Kerrison** were acknowledged as rejoining Gyros. Bob was a member of the Calgary Gyro Club as well as a member of the Edmonton Club from 1980 to 1989. Peter was a member of our club for 14 years from 1996-2010.

Allan Warrack introduced our guest speaker **Tim Shipton**, **Vice President of Communications for Rexall Sports Corp.** Tim was raised in Barrhead, Alberta and was President of the Alberta Enterprise Group until his appointment to Rexall on October 23, 2013. Tim's responsibilities include overseeing content for Edmonton Oilers.com and related company websites, along with all facets of the team's social media channels. Tim will also act as the lead liaison with Canadian news media on behalf of Rexall Sports. He will also be responsible for content management of all Oilers live media, including the Oilers on Sportsnet television presented by Rogers and the Oilers on 630 CHED radio broadcasts. Tim indicated that digital and social media interest now generates one million Oiler internet actions per month.

Tim began his talk by remarking that he understood that GYRO was a friendship organization; he said "the Oilers could certainly use a little friendship now." **Darryl Katz** understands these frustrations and made public his letter to citizens and fans on January 20th. His letter

emphasized player development in the Oklahoma City and Bakersfield clubs and the revamping of their scouting organization. It will be a painful rebuilding process but they are not going to panic. The fans have been incredibly patient and supportive.

Tim indicated that new Oiler, Andrew Ference is the type of experienced player that will help the team achieve its goals.

The Arena Project is moving forward as planned and the final decision will be made by the City of Edmonton and Rexall Sports Corp. on February 11, 2014. The final cost of \$480 million is expected to be maintained and construction could start in March with completion for the opening of the hockey season in 2016. The newly named **Rogers Place** will seat 18,500 fans with good sighted views. There is the potential for three million square feet of development on the 22 acre "Arena District." A number of residential condo towers, office buildings and a major hotel are expected to be developed in the district. Over 2,000,000 visitors are expected annually. Underground parking will be developed to accommodate 10,000 vehicles. The current Rexall Place/Northlands area has 8,500 surface parking stalls.

Roy Bennett thanked Tim for a very interesting and question-generating presentation.

The winner of the free lunch draw was **Fred Schulte**.

FIRST POSTING

Peter Carter, a former GYRO, has applied to rejoin our club. **Peter** and his wife **Eileen Kuhl** reside at **13510-100 Avenue, T5N 0H9**.

Their telephone number is **780-488-2403** and email address is peter.carter@shaw.ca Peter is a tour coordinator and Owner of PAC Tours INC. and is proposed by **Mike Matei** and **John Ross**.

FIRST POSTING

Bob Kerrison, a former member of both the Calgary and Edmonton Gyro Club's has applied to rejoin our club. **Bob** and his wife **June** reside at **37 Grosvenor Blvd, St Albert, T8N 1P3**. Their telephone number is **780-459-8616** and email address is junenbob@telus.net **Bob** is a semi-retired retailer at All Tucked In and is proposed by **Marty Larson** and **Mike Matei**.

Marty Larson celebrated **50 years of GYRO** membership on January 25th. He was introduced to the Gyro Club of Edmonton members by **Wes Van Dusen** and joined the club in 1964. The club roster for 1963-1964 showed the following:

President: Newt Shortliffe, 1st Vice-President: Bill Robinson, 2nd Vice-President: Glenn Treacy, Directors: Jim Wright, Clayton Greenlees, John Klinck and Norm Wildgoose; Treasurer: Murray Pawling, Secretary: Harold Jones and Historian: Gord Rennie.

The Statement of Accounts dated February 29, 1964 showed

General Account	\$2,760.58
Trust Account	12,326.25
Special Reserve	2,372.78
Total	\$17,459.61

Marty and **Shirley** have been active participants and champions of the **GYRO** fraternity for 50 years. They have attended more than 30 International Conventions and have involved their three children, **Marcia**, **Dean** and **Andrea** in many local and international Gyro activities.

Marty was **President** of the Edmonton Club in **1974-75**, **District VIII Governor in 1986** and **International President in 1992-93**. He was also awarded the Award of Merit for Outstanding Service to Gyro in 1989, the Jimmie Hubbell Award for External Expansion of a new club (St. Albert) in 1992, the Honour Key Award (Gyro's Highest Recognition) in 1994 and the Life Time Achievement Award.

Marty was very proud to receive the Ed Steinbacher Life Time Achievement Award from Mrs. Steinbacher in Milwaukee on July 23, 2005.

Congratulations Shirley and Marty!



UPCOMING EVENTS

Regular Tuesday Luncheon Meeting, Royal Mayfair Golf Club, February 4th

Speaker: Dr. Allan Offenberger, Professor Emeritus of Electrical and Computer Engineering, University of Alberta. Co-Chair Alberta/Canada Fusion Energy Program.

Topic: Status of Fusion Energy Research in the World

Contacts: Bill Taylor and Walter Yakimets.

Valentines Party, Mayfield Dinner Theatre (16615-109 St),

February 11th

Feature Play: "The Death Trap", a murder mystery thriller.

Time 7:00 pm.

Cost: \$60 per person

Contacts: Gerry Glassford and David Winfield

Special Tuesday Luncheon Meeting, Royal Mayfair Golf Club, April 1st

Club Executive Elections and

Speaker: Tommy Banks, former Senator and musician

Topic: The Senate's Current Notoriety.

Contact: John Boyd

GYRO International and District VIII Convention, Wallace, Idaho, June 15-22, 2014

'Fast Fred'