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May 31, 1978

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, June 6, 1978, Mayfair Golf and Country Club at 12:15 p.m.

COMING EVENTS

1. The Gyrettes will hold their final meeting prior to the summer recess on Tuesday, June 13, 1978 at 8:00 p.m. in the Party Room of the Victoria Plaza, 11710 - 100 Avenue.
2. The Gyro Inter-Club Golf Tournament will be held at the Red Deer Golf and Country Club on Thursday, June 15, 1978 commencing at 10:00 a.m. Forward your entry to Chairman of Sports, Ernie Siegel.
3. The Gyro International Convention will take place at the Pheasant Run Lodge, St. Charles, Illinois, June 15 through 18, 1978.
4. The Stampede City Gyro Club Installation Party is scheduled for Saturday, June 17, 1978.
5. The Crossroads Gyro Club Golf Day will be held on Monday, June 26, 1978 at the Riverside Golf Club commencing at 12:00 noon. Ladies who wish to take part are welcome. Following golf, dinner will be served at the Regency Hotel, 75 Street and Argyll Road.
6. The Gyro International District VIII Convention will be held at the Ridpath Hotel, Spokane, Washington, July 6 through 9, 1978.

BIRTHDAYS

Boyd Slavik	May 17	Enoch Loveseth	May 29
Dave Burnett	May 18	Loyd Loveseth	May 30
Bill Robinson	May 23	Al Ernst	June 5
Murray Pawling	May 25		

This week's kindly suggestion as time swiftly pursues us, is to continue the forward look without a backward glance. Someone expressed it more poetically:

"Consider the lines 'Of all sad words . . . the saddest are these: It might have been!' whittled by J.G. Whittier

I myself am more and more inclined to agree with Omar Khayyam and Satchel Paige as I grow older

Don't try to rewrite what the moving finger has writ, and don't ever look over your shoulder."

SICK AND VISITING

1. Jack Hamlin is reported living it up at the Lynnwood Extended Care Centre having been signed as piano player for all party functions.
2. Enoch Loveseth is now at home. That new smooth gait he has acquired is the direct result of having been equipped in his joints with a new set of steel ball bearings.
3. Birt Agnew is now at home and improving rapidly.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

The new address of the Edmonton Gyro Club is:
P.O. Box 8272
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RECOGNITION

Bert and Ellen Boren were the guests of honor at a retirement dinner party given recently by B.C. Food Floors during the first annual food seminar held in our city. This coincided with Bert's 'big' night and aside from many 'fun' gifts, Bert was presented with a grandfather clock (were they trying to say something, Bert?) and a copy of "The Woodward's" book personally inscribed by the Chairman of the Board. Congratulations to a fine couple!

OBITUARY

It is with deep regret that we report the passing of Ron Newport a long time member of the Calgary Gyro Club. Ron was well and favorably known throughout Gyro having served as International President in 1975. Our sincere sympathy is extended to Irma and her family.

POSTPONEMENT

The Sherwood Park Gyro Club has postponed its Silver Plate Dinner until early November.

THIS WEEK

President Jack extended a warm welcome to a number of our members, several of whom had recently returned from their winter residences - the likes of Nelles Buchanan, John Boychuk, Herb Hamly, Dave Duchak, Stew Graham, Dan Lawton and Gordon Rennie.

Les Mason then introduced his guest, John Young.

Introduced by Don Millar, Staff Sgt. John Underhill, a one time London bobby, who saw service as a palace guard and bodyguard to the Home Secretary, and now a member of the Edmonton City Police Force gave a talk on the Police Community Relations Program. This program, commenced in 1974, directed its attention to school children. The speaker stated that it was started at Alex Taylor, one of the older inner city schools with a multi-racial student body representing 36 ethnic groups, many of whom could not speak English and had come from a police type state. A police officer would visit the school three mornings a week. At first a great number showed extreme fear but as the program continued, the attitude of the children changed and in the end the officer was often greeted with a standing ovation. Staff Sgt. Underhill credited the success of the program to the students who could speak more than one language (one 10 year old Chinese girl spoke Chinese, Spanish and English), and to the cooperation of Principal Steve Ramsakar and his staff. Since then, said the speaker, Community Relations has expanded with one police officer assigned to each of 20 schools. It now reaches into other community levels such as Senior Citizens, Boy Scouts and Wolf Cubs. With a staff of 5, said the Staff Sergeant, some 800 talks were given during the year at the rate of 3 schools per day.

To reach the non-school group two Indians have been taken on staff to act as liaison between Natives and Metis and the Police Department. Efforts, he said, are now being made to recruit Chinese police officers. University students are being hired in the off-season to work at the playgrounds in an effort to reduce vandalism and shop-lifting.

Staff Sgt. Underhill told the members that a film had been produced to illustrate the work of the police in the community. He stated that many more copies of this film are required to fulfil the demand for its showing and suggested that Clubs such as our own could do no better work than subsidizing such a film. In conclusion the speaker expressed the hope for more men and more resources to expand the outreach and thus to reduce the growing incidence of crime.

Ernie Siegel in thanking Staff Sgt. Underhill on behalf of the Club members stated that they were in full support of this Community Relations Program.

And as was suggested during the talk that the leniency of the courts is no great deterrent to crime. Someone said that sex, no matter how violent, is treated as a mere misdemeanor. The more you miss it the meaner you get.

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