



# ***THE GYROLOG***

**THE GYRO CLUB OF EDMONTON**

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## **FEBRUARY 2017**

Those celebrating their birthdays are **Dan Hasinoff** on the 5<sup>th</sup>, **Dick Nichols** on the 8<sup>th</sup>, **Ken Willan** on the 9<sup>th</sup>, **Ron Trant** on the 22<sup>nd</sup> and **Jack Ellis** on the 25<sup>th</sup>. Those celebrating their wedding anniversaries are **Bruce and Bronwyn Swanson**, 39 years on the 8<sup>th</sup>; **Sam Gruden and Bea McKenzie**, 26 years on the 14<sup>th</sup> and **Larry and Rosa Wang**, 51 years on the 26<sup>th</sup>.

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And Live A Little Better**

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**Informal meeting of Gyros at Three's Café in Maui on February 3<sup>rd</sup>. Ramsey's, Little's and Schulte's.**

**Mike Matei** welcomed 54 Gyros and Gyrettes to the **Annual Valentines Party** held at the Faculty Club on February 7<sup>th</sup>.

A three-course dinner consisting of salad, sorbet, choice of salmon or prime rib and a chocolate mousse dessert was served.

The guest speaker was retired **Edmonton maître d' Brian Welsh** who for more than three decades, ran the front of house for many of the city's best restaurants, from the Harvest Room of the Hotel Macdonald, to the storied likes of Claude's, Walden's, The Carvery and Ruth's Chris. Brian's presentation entitled "Dining with the Queen" provided some insight and tips on etiquette for formal meals.

Thanks to **Mike Matei** for organizing this special event.

**President Peter Carter** welcomed 31 Gyros and two guests to the February 21<sup>st</sup> luncheon meeting held at the Royal Mayfair Golf Club.

**David Winfield** introduced our guest speaker **Bruce Hogle**. During his 47-year electronic/print journalism career in five provinces and twelve cities, Bruce always endeavoured to initiate changes to benefit both his profession and residents of the communities where he lived.

As **Trail Daily Times** Editor, he exposed Sons of Freedom Doukhobor leader Stefan Sorokin for the terrorism created within the West Kootenays of British Columbia - including firebombing of 40 homes in the Village of Ootischenia to which he was the sole witness.

As **Deputy Editor of the Medicine Hat News**, he initiated a campaign which saw that city go five consecutive years without a fatal automobile accident. In **Saskatoon**, he and four colleagues built that city's **first FM radio station**.

In his **31 years at CFRN TV/CTV Edmonton**, he hosted Canada's first TV public affairs show **Face The Newsmen** in 1965 which his late father Bill Hogle had started in 1956. His 1967 TV documentary "**What About The Victim**" resulted in Alberta establishing Canada's first Crimes Compensation Board. In 1981 he launched "**Wednesday's Child**" – a weekly visionary feature now in its 33<sup>rd</sup> year of finding permanent homes for difficult to adopt children.

As first Chairman of Grant McEwen University's **journalism program**, he helped establish their curriculum. When he learned that all Canadian journalism schools depended solely on U.S. electronic teaching aids, he produced Canada's first 30-minute teaching video which was provided to all 35 Canadian journalism schools; the National Archives of Canada; Carleton Board of Education and smaller TV news operations – all at no charge.

His 15,000 TV editorials over the years resulted in the Alberta Government becoming the first in the Commonwealth to allow **live coverage of their legislature in 1973**. With an economic boon that year, Alberta landlords could increase rents four times a year until the Hogle editorials resulted in government implementing **rent controls**. Another editorial campaign saw the University of Alberta Hospital launch emergency dental services in 1975. In 1978, his editorials

helped eliminate existing legislation which didn't allow Albertans 45 and older to adopt children.

In 1976, he broke down major barriers against women by hiring **Daphne Kuehn as Canada's first FM radio morning news anchor**. In 1978, he promoted her as the first female TV anchor in Edmonton and Western Canada, later hiring additional women as reporters in both news and sports.

In 1993 Bruce established the CFRN TV **Good Neighbour Fund** – which is still assisting needy Albertans. He has been a director of over 30 charities and non-profit organizations in Edmonton, Alberta, and Canada.

For his work within the field of communications and various communities, he has received: the Order of Canada; the Alberta Order of Excellence; named one of the 100 Edmontonian's of the Century; inducted into the Canadian Association of Broadcasters Hall of Fame; City of Edmonton Community Service Hall of Fame; named a Paul Harris Fellow by Rotary International and a Lions International Melvin Jones Fellow; the Queen's Diamond Jubilee, Golden Jubilee and 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Commemorative medals; Paul Mulvihill Heart Award; Alberta Award of Excellence; Alberta Centennial Medal and Radio Television News Directors Association Lifetime Achievement Award.

Bruce and Gail Hogle have been married 60 years with sons William and Randall both U of A graduates in law; while son Steve is a graduate of NAIT and the University of Illinois and is currently President of the Saskatoon Blades Junior Hockey Club.

Bruce spoke of his involvement with the Al Shamal Shriners and the **Shriners Hospitals for Children**. He helped establish the "*Red Coats/Red Fez*" program in Alberta whereby members of the RCMP and the Al Shamal Shriners joined forces in seeking out children in rural isolated areas who would benefit from medical care provided at Shriners Hospitals for Children.

Shriners Hospitals for Children is a network of 22 non-profit medical facilities in Canada, the United States and Mexico. Children with orthopaedic conditions, burns, spinal cord injuries, and cleft lip and palate are eligible for care and receive all services in a family-centered environment, regardless of the patients' ability to pay.

Mr. Hogle then introduced the **Shriners BullyProof Guide** which provides practical advice and helpful tips for coping and dealing with bullying. **A few shocking facts about bullies:**

- Bullying is an early form of mean-spirited behavior that affects you even after you grow up.
- Statistically, about 16% of school students are involved in bullying, as bullies and victims. Of these, 7% are bullies and 9% are their victims.
- By the time these bullies reach 24 years of age, 60% of them will have criminal records. Compared to other kids, bullies grow up to have more arrests for drunk driving, domestic violence and child abuse.
- Bullies are aggressive children who see threats and/or violence as an okay way to deal with other kids. Some bullies fight because they think other kids will harm them, so this is their way of defending themselves- being mean first.
- A lot of bullies are overactive and act on impulse, while others have been spanked or physically abused by adults. Those who have parents who are bullies merely copy the behavior they see at home, thinking it's acceptable behavior.
- Some parents may not know what to do when they see their children behave as bullies- if bullies don't understand their behavior, they assume it is okay to act in a mean way toward other kids.

Bruce also spoke about his initiative to re-instill our pride in singing **O Canada** in our 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year. He has written to all provincial educational ministers requesting that they consider the singing of O Canada once a week in all schools. Ontario has responded positively to the request and New Brunswick has gone one step further by committing to every school day.

**Peter Carter** thanked our speaker for his life-long accomplishments and his ongoing commitment to helping people.

Thanks to **David Winfield** and **Alan Rusler** for organizing this speaking event.

**Dick Nichols** reports on the results on the Hockey Pool:

Game 12 January 25	Winners	First Period	Second	Final
<b>Oilers vs. Ducks</b>				
<b>First</b>	<b>0 0</b>	<b>Jack Slobodan</b>	<b>Warren Garbutt</b>	<b>Sam Gruden</b>
<b>Second</b>	<b>3 0</b>	<b>C. Walker</b>	<b>Chuck Gerhart</b>	<b>Bev Russell</b>
<b>Final</b>	<b>4 1</b>	<b>Unsold</b>	<b>Eric Spink</b>	<b>Bill Taylor</b>

Game 13 February 2	Winners	First Period	Second	Final
<b>Oilers vs. Predators</b>				
<b>First</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Gary Campbell</b>	David Ross
<b>Second</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	Jack Heibert	Ashley White
<b>Final</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	Sharon Shaw	Unsold

Game 14 February 16	Winners	First Period	Second	Final
<b>Oilers vs. Flyers</b>				
<b>First</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	Leanne Dobson	<b>Walter Yakimets</b>
<b>Second</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	Cassandra Russell	Brian Scranton
<b>Final</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	Bernie Kropp	Unsold

Game 15 February 24	Winners	First Period	Second	Final
<b>Oilers vs. Capitals</b>				
<b>First</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	Rebecca Warrack	<b>Walter Yakimets</b>
<b>Second</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	Erin Lucas	Grace Heibert
<b>Final</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	Unsold	<b>Care Mazzuca</b>

**'Fast Fred'**

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Tuesday Luncheon Meeting, Royal Mayfair Golf Club, March 7<sup>th</sup>**

**Speaker: Ian Stirling**

**Topic: Polar Bears**

**Meeting Coordinators: Larry Dobson, Len Stevens, Alan Rusler**

**Gyrette Luncheon Meeting, Royal Mayfair Golf Club,**

**Tuesday, March 14<sup>th</sup>**

**Speaker: Raymond Swonek, CEO, Greater Edmonton Foundation**

**Topic: Building Housing for Lower Income Seniors.**

**Registration: 11:30 am, Lunch 12:00 noon**

**Contact: Sylvia Little**

**Tuesday Luncheon Meeting, Royal Mayfair Golf Club, March 21<sup>st</sup>**

**2017-18 Budget Presentation by Treasurer Gary Campbell**

**Speaker: Tracy DesLaurier, owner of Travelinsure.ca**

**Topic: Travel Insurance Q's and A's.** If you have a travel insurance question you would like Tracy to answer, please email him [tracy@dfsinc.ca](mailto:tracy@dfsinc.ca) in advance of our March 21<sup>st</sup> meeting.

**Meeting Coordinators: John Ross and Warren Garbutt**

**GYRO International 2017 Convention, Vancouver, B.C. June 9<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>**

**Registration Fee: \$540 per couple, online registration below:**

<http://international.gyro.ws/2017%20con.htm>

**Host Hotel: Coast Plaza Hotel and Suites, 1763 Comox street. Negotiated room rate: \$199 per night plus taxes. Gyro rate can be booked directly online using this link:**

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**District VIII Convention, Wallace, Idaho, June 15<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>**

**Thursday, June 15<sup>th</sup>-Registration and Drum and Bugle Corp. Pub Crawl**

**Friday, June 16<sup>th</sup>-District Officers Installation Dinner**

**Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup>- Lead Creek Derby**