

THE GYROLOG



THE GYRO CLUB OF EDMONTON
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February 24, 1981

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, March 3, 1981, Mayfair Golf and Country Club at 12.15 p.m. Mr. Brian O'Leary, Director of Television for CBXT, Edmonton, who has had extensive and varied experience in all facets of TV production will speak on Some Phases of Television Production in Canada. Let's have a worthwhile turnout.

STOP PRESS. The Gyrettes will meet Tuesday, March 10, 1981, Mayfair Golf and Country Club at 8.00 p.m. Court Whist will be played.

COMING EVENTS

1. The Sherwood Park Gyro Club will hold a Mixed Curling Bonspiel at the Glenallen Complex on Saturday, February 28, 1981. Cost: \$3.00 per person. Phone entries to Mort Morter.
2. The Gyro International District VIII Interim Meeting will be held at the Inn of the South, Cranbrook, B.C. on March 6 and 7, 1981. Registration Fee: \$58.00 per couple. Accommodation: \$30.00 per night. Forward your Registration and Reservation Deposit of \$88.00, soonest, to:
Mr. Gordon Pascuzzo
701 - 30 Avenue South
CRANBROOK, B.C.
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Registration Forms may be obtained from your Club Secretary.
3. The Election of Officers and the Primary Ballot for the Election of Directors will take place at the Regular Meeting on March 17, 1981. Forward Nominations for Officers to Gordon Rennie.
4. The Annual Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 7, 1981. Committee Chairmen are expected to present, please, at this meeting the Reports (written) of their Committees' Activities during 1980 - 81. As well the Final Ballot for the election of two Directors will be taken.
5. April 21, 1981 is the date set for the 100% Attendance Meeting. Clear your calendars for this date!
6. The Bridge Club Wind-Up Party will be held at the Edmonton Country Club on Friday, May 1/81.
7. The Tri-Club Installation Party will be held at the Chateau Lacombe on Saturday, May 9, 1981. Cocktails: 6.00 p.m. Dinner: 7.00 p.m. Cost: \$50.00 per couple. Dress: Formal preferred.

BIRTHDAYS

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| Stan Smith | February 24 | Buffalo Bill Cody | February 26 |
| Howie Sharp | February 27 | John Pedden | March 2 |

We hope you are all reacting like John Denver when he said, "Everybody else is talking about how hard life is, and here I am singing about how good it is to be alive."

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Ticket No. 169, Russ Carter

\$25.00 - Ticket No. 11, Marty Larson
Ticket No. 191, F. Gorbous

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\$25.00 - Ticket No. 14, Margaret Tyberg
Ticket No. 198, Alf Craig

\$25.00 - Ticket No. 27, Lynne Piercy
Ticket No. 111, Joanne Gardhouse

SICK AND VISITING

Murray Pawling, having been equipped with a new transmission at the University Hospital, is now breaking it in with the aid of a walker and physio-therapy at the Glenrose Hospital. We trust

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you'll be back in complete circulation soon, Murray.

THIS WEEK

In the absence of President Bert, 1st Vice-President Boyd Slavik took the Chair and handled the meeting with assurance and confidence. He had the happy thought of asking Glenn Treacy to recount his travel experiences this past year when the latter was the Potentate of Al Azhar Shrine Temple.

Glenn obliged on the spur of the moment and took the members on a Cook's Tour of Southeast Asia. Landing at the airport which serves Tokyo (40 miles from the city) the party was taken in charge by a courier who made all arrangements including passage through customs. The dispatch with which customs was passed indicated that few bags were opened for inspection, although Glenn found a sticker inside one of his bags which he was sure had been securely locked. One of the impressive things about Tokyo, the world's largest city, he said, was its cleanliness in spite of the tremendous amount of traffic, made up largely of medium sized cars. Gasoline at \$2.25 to \$2.75 per imperial gallon had apparently no appreciable effect in energy conservation, although Japan had to import almost all its oil.

Tokyo is a very safe city, ladies being able to appear on the streets any time of the day or night without fear of being molested. Perhaps this is because punishment for those convicted of criminal offences is sure, swift, and severe.

From Tokyo the group flew to Seoul, a city of 2,500,000 in South Korea, remarkable for its many temples. A line of demarcation between North and South Korea marked the boundary north of which the tourists were forbidden to take photographs.

Another colorful city on the tour was Bangkok, Thailand, a city of numerous Buddhist temples, in which gold was used extensively in its religious figures and decor.

The group took a boat tour through a system of rivers and canals. The tides affected the height of water along the roads and they had to wade through water 2 feet deep to get from bus to boat. Even the houses along the route were inundated to a depth of 3 feet at high tide. A feature of this trip was the floating market where handicrafts, fruits, and vegetables were sold. On their return, said the speaker, the water had subsided completely.

Singapore was another fascinating city with fine hotels. A feature of the visit here was a ride through the city on a bicycle with a sidecar (not a drink). One of the well known spots is the Raffles Hotel, where was mixed the first Singapore Sling. (This is a drink.)

A visit to Taipei, capital of Taiwan, revealed a city of 5,000,000 in the midst of a building boom. An unusual feature of the construction industry here is the use of bamboo lashed together for scaffolding sometimes 10 to 15 stories in height. It is

beam. An unusual feature of the construction industry here is the use of bamboo lashed together for scaffolding sometimes 10 to 15 storeys in height. It appears fragile and flexible but strong. A visit by junk to the Hong Kong city of the boat people proved most interesting. These people live out their lives on boats in the bay - house boats, shop boats, school boats, office boats, church boats - the whole life gamut. The group flew back to Tokyo where the plane was boarded for the flight home.

Our thanks to you, Glenn, for an interesting and revealing account of your trip. As someone remarked, perhaps the best informed talent with the most worthwhile experiences can be found among our own members. Certainly this was true today. A train of thought should have a terminal, and this has to be it.

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