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June 26, 1978

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, July 4, 1978, Mayfair Golf and Country Club at 12:15 p.m.

COMING EVENTS

1. The Gyro International District VIII Convention will be held at the Ridpath Hotel, Spokane, Washington, July 6 through 9, 1978.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. A note of thanks was received from Birt Agnew for the "Get-Well" cards and for the great concern felt by each during her recent illness. She stated that she was improving daily and hoped to accompany Jack to the District VIII Convention to be held in Spokane during July.
2. A note of thanks was received from Irma Newport of Calgary for the lovely flowers sent at the time of her recent bereavement. She also stated how pleased she was that so many wonderful Gyro friends from Edmonton attended Ron's funeral.

SICK AND VISITING

Andy Carabott was recently involved in a motor car accident in which he suffered torn ligaments and a separation of the right shoulder. Although he is back at work it will take time, the great healer, and rest for a complete recovery.

LEST WE FORGET

1. The deep sympathy of the Edmonton Gyro Club is extended to Norm and Betty Wildgoose on the recent passing of Betty's mother; and to Bernie and Nita Brown on the death this past week of Nita's sister, Mrs. Mabel Wentworth.
2. Gyro throughout Canada and United States was shocked to learn of the sudden passing of Arthur K. Jordan on June 17, 1978 at the International Convention at St. Charles, Illinois. Art was the International Secretary-Treasurer, having succeeded Chick St. Clair on the occasion of the latter's retirement in 1976. He had been through the complete range of Gyro offices having served as President of his Cleveland Heights, Ohio Club, and as Governor of International Gyro District No. 1. In 1957-1958 he was elected to the top post of International Gyro President. Art Jordan had close ties with the Edmonton Club as he and Russ Carter served as colleagues on more than one International Committee. Russ described him as a man "who has served our fraternity with loyalty and devotion in every office."
The sincere sympathy of the Edmonton Gyro Club is extended to Lucille Jordan and her family.

THIS WEEK

President Jack welcomed the appearance of Enoch Loveseth after a winter spent in Florida, and of Tommy Douglas on his return from a world tour.

Les Mason introduced his guest Jim Hatch.

Following the announcement of the death of Arthur K. Jordan, Russ Carter presented the following motion: "That the Edmonton Gyro Club make a donation to the International Gyro Memorial Fund in memory of the late International Gyro Secretary-Treasurer, Arthur K. Jordan."

The motion was seconded by Bernie Brown and carried unanimously.

Ernie Siegel reporting on the Inter-Club Golf Tournament at Red Deer, Alberta on June 15, 1978 stated that it had been rained out by a deluge (25mm) in an East-West narrow band 56 to 64 km wide, with Red Deer at the centre. However all was not lost, as those who had made the trip were able to improve their own

economy by making use of some of their other skills such as cribbage, bridge and poker.

Introduced by Dan Lawton, Mr. J.D. Cypionka, Historic Sites Manager for the Alberta Government and a Past President of the Strathcona Foundation, and Mr. J.E. Langton-Adams, Vice-President of Trail North, gave an illustrated talk on the Athabasca Trail Corridor.

Historically, said Mr. Langton-Adams, this trail was created by the movement of nomadic Indian tribes long before the white man made his way overland into what is now Alberta. This trail furnished a route connecting the Athabasca River to the North Saskatchewan by way of the Tawatinaw and Red Water Rivers at the time of the founding of Fort Edmonton near the end of the 18th century. By 1910, stated the speaker this was the busiest trail route in all of Canada. However the construction of a railway from Edmonton to Athabasca Landing made the trail obsolete for trade.

The purpose, said Mr. Langton-Adams, of the Trail North Foundation is to re-activate and to rebuild the old trail for picnickers, hikers, cyclists and trail riders. With this in view the organization is enlisting the support of individuals and organizations, including governments, chambers of commerce etc. to re-open this ancient part of Alberta and to provide social, economic, recreational and educational amenities for all citizens. To give impetus to this drive, he said, a trail ride has been organized for September 4, 1978 starting at Walter Jerram's Red Barn located at Lily Lake near Bon Accord and proceeding north towards Athabasca. To give real western character to this venture none other than that pioneer farmer, professional agriculturalist stockman, writer, historian, sportsman, politician and former Alberta Lieutenant-Governor, Dr. J.W. Grant MacEwan has been appointed trail boss.

Norm Wildgoose thanked the speaker for a most interesting and informative talk.

And to conclude, this story may be apocryphal but it bears telling. It concerns Rev. Jess Bigelow, who before leaving in June for Toronto to preside as Moderator at the Presbyterian General Assembly, had twice requested his Board of Management to have a new chandelier installed in his church. On his return, finding no action had taken place, he was somewhat disturbed and summoned the Chairman of the Board for an explanation. "Well, said the C. of B., "I can give you three reasons for this impasse. First, no one could spell chandelier. Second, we have nobody who could play it. And third, actually all we need here is a little more light."

And that's enough enlightenment for this week.

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