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**President Gord** welcomed us all to the downstairs location of the Mayfair Club for a cozy lunch with 25 Gyros in attendance. Everybody led us in Cheerio and it started and ended more or less at the same time. **President Gord** did double duty and asked the blessing.

**Dick Ogilvie** introduced his guest, Gerry Gynene, who is a fellow resident of his condominium.

**Dave Duchak** reported on games 10 and 11 of the hockey pool. I scooped him on game 10 as it was in the last edition. However, I can report on Game 11, which he thinks the Oilers should have won. It was held on January 29<sup>th</sup>, with Edmonton visiting the Florida Panthers. For the first time since I have been reporting on the hockey pool games, all the scoring took place in the first period. The result is that the same two people won the \$10 prize, the \$15 prize and the \$25 prize. **Bob Lippe** tried to hide under his coat as **Dave** announced the clean up team of Michael Lippe of Edmonton and Pat Garvey of Calgary. Oh, by the way, the score was 2:1 for the Panthers.

You may have noticed that the masthead changed with the last Gyrolog with the addition of a new Director, **Roy Bennett**. With the resignation of **Art Meidinger** for health reasons, there was a vacant Director position. **Roy** has graciously agreed to fill out the balance of the term and will be a Director until the spring of 2001. Thanks for stepping in to serve your club **Roy**; it is appreciated by all.

There has been a number of Gyros who have opted for the email option for receiving the Gyrolog, and others have said that they plan to do the same. Those using this option get the Gyrolog three or four days before the paper versions hit the mailboxes. Also, you can receive your Gyrolog while travelling by accessing your email account. If you wish to be added to the list, let me know at [adouglas@oanet.com](mailto:adouglas@oanet.com)

**Imm. Past President Jack Ellis** reported that the Sherwood Park Gyro Club had contributed \$3,000 to our International and District VIII Convention in 1996. As you avid Gyrolog readers will know, they are hosting the District VIII convention this year. **Jack** moved, seconded by **Ivan Ivankovich** that we contribute \$1,500 to support them in their efforts. The motion was passed unanimously.

**PIP Marty Larson** explained that it was always a pleasure to induct a new member into our club and he had the pleasure of inducting **Dick Nichols** into our club. Marty presented some history of Gyro and in particular, the Edmonton Club. He stated that this has always been a strong club, due to the charitable efforts and to the number of awards that members have been selected to receive. In 1990, the first International Gyro of the Year award went to our friend **Gord Rennie**. There have been two Hubble awards, the first to **Howard Wilson** for his efforts to start the Sherwood Park club. The Honour Key award has been provided to about 140 Gyros and four of them were in our club. Our **modest PIP** did not mention that he was the other recipient of the Hubble award and that he and **Gord Rennie** are two of the recipients of the Honour Key awards, Gyro's highest recognition! As usual, **Marty** delivered a terrific speech, the snoring didn't seem to distract him at all. Our newest member, **Dick Nichols** drew **Marty's** name for a free lunch.

The program was a humorous and informative slide show about wines around the world by **Walter Yakimets**.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

Our next meeting will be a special Valentine's Day celebration dinner on **MONDAY FEBRUARY 14<sup>TH</sup>**. Please note that the day in the last Gyrolog was wrong. Cocktails from a no host bar will be available from 6-7 p.m. and Dinner will be served at 7:00. The cost is \$25.00 per person.

The **District VIII Interim** convention is scheduled for Fairmont Hot Springs Resort from Friday March 17 to Sunday March 19, 2000. Rooms should be reserved before January 17, 2000. The room rates are \$79.00 plus taxes. The registration fee for the Interim is \$125.00 per couple.

The International and District VII convention will be at the Fort Garry Hotel in Winnipeg from July 13 to 16, 2000.

This year the Sherwood Park Club is hosting the **District VIII Convention** at the Fantasyland Hotel in Edmonton. The dates are August 24 to 27, 2000. Let's have a large delegation to support our local club and our investment in their success.

Same Old Bull

Allan 