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DECEMBER 2010 BULLETIN



MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THESE UPCOMING EVENTS

December 2010	
Wednesday, December 1, 2010	Noon luncheon meeting - Carriage House Inn. Alberta Securities Commission video on investment fraud. No guest speaker. Executive meeting to follow.
Wednesday, Dec 15, 2010	Christmas luncheon at the Priddis Greens Golf Club. See page 2 for details. This is a mixed event. Our host is Bob Steele.
Friday, December 17, 2010	Stampede City Club Christmas party. See page 3 for details.
Sunday, December 19, 2010	President's Christmas Party – 2:00 PM to 4:30 PM. Sloan Square Atrium, 5920 – 1A Street S.W. This is a mixed event.

Calgary Gyro Club Christmas Luncheon

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Priddis Greens Golf & Country Club.

December 15, 2010.

Festivities begin at 11:30 A.M.

Buffet lunch at 12:30 P.M.

Organ music by Floyd Mueller.

Christmas message by Ron Carter.

Christmas sing-a-long with Don Craig and Floyd Mueller.

Cost is \$25.00 per person.

This is a mixed event and guests are always welcome.

Come out and enjoy Christmas in the country !!!!



Stampede City Club Christmas Party

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Friday, December 17, 2010.

Canyon Meadows Golf & Country Club.

Cocktails at 6:00 PM & Dinner at 7:00 PM.

**Entrée selection of either
roast turkey or baked Pacific salmon.**

Cost is \$37.50 per person (\$75/ couple)

Dance to follow !!!!!

The hosts are Keith Aird and Al Clark.

PLEASE NOTIFY EITHER KEITH OR AL IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND.....

SOLUTION TO LOGIC PUZZLE FOR NOVEMBER

The following problem is patently incorrect. However, if you were to place two minus signs (-) and one plus sign (+) between certain of the numbers on the left side of the equation, you will end up with a correct mathematical expression that equals 100. The solution will be in the December issue.

$$1\ 2\ 3\ 4\ 5\ 6\ 7\ 8\ 9\ =\ 100$$

And the solution is.....

$$123 - 45 - 67 + 89 = 100$$

LOGIC PUZZLE FOR DECEMBER

$$99 + 9 = 9$$

Ninety-nine plus nine equals nine if you add a certain five letter word to the equation. What is that word ?????

CONVENTIONS IN 2011

International Interim.

January 14 – 21, 2011.

Hilton DeSoto Savannah, Savannah, Georgia.

District VIII Interim.

March 11 – 13, 2011.

Fairmont, B.C.

District VIII Convention.

June 17 - 19, 2011.

Wallace, Idaho.

Gyro International Convention.

July 4 -10, 2011.

Halifax, Nova Scotia.

BIRTHDAYS

DECEMBER

9th Bill McCartney

11th Ken Friese

24th Tell Stephen

27th Jim Barr

28th Tom Hanson

MAY YOU EACH ENJOY YOUR SPECIAL DAY !!!!!

HEALTH OF THE CLUB

Andy Chunta's life has been complicated by chronic back problems. He had an operation to resolve his sciatic issues, but his back continues to cause him unremitting discomfort. Andy hopes that the pain he now has can be controlled and that it will not get any worse.

Bill Hardman continues to have serious health concerns. He is on oxygen full time. Bill's great sense of humor helps him to do his best to carry on from day to day.

We wish these Gyros all the best and our thoughts are with them.

Gord Anderson

If you know of any members who are under the weather, please, give Gord Anderson a call.

REMINDER !!!!!!!

It seems that some of our members have forgotten to remit their annual dues for the current year. It would be appreciated if you could take a minute and send a cheque to Dave Jenner via the mail.

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**"My doctor told me to start my exercise program
very gradually. Today I drove past a store
that sells sweat pants."**

CHANGES TO THE CLUB ROSTER

Clara Taylor has a new telephone number: 403-719-9515.

Corrections to the new roster books:

Norm Gossett's correct address is 26 Sunset Way, Priddis, AB., T0L1W0

Fred Thiesse's postal code is T0L1W0

If you are moving, or you have a change in your e-mail address, please, let me know so that I can keep our records up to date and notify Gyro International. Thanks, Bryan.

NEWS FROM THE GYRETTE CLUB

I am excited to be able to share some good news with you. At the November 4th Executive Meeting we expanded our Gyrette membership base with the unanimous adoption of the following motion:

If a Gyro has requested that an invitation be extended to his lady friend to join the Gyrette Club of Calgary, then a written Gyrette Information Bulletin, along with a cover letter inviting the lady to join, will be sent by the President of the Gyrette Club of Calgary.

Renate Barr, President
Gyrette Club of Calgary

SAD NEWS

John "Jack" Wendell MOONEY passed away on November 26, 2010 at the age of 92 years. Jack joined Gyros in 1964 and due to his health he left the club in 2007. He then became a "friend" of the Gyro Club of Calgary. Announcements will be made later by Mc Innis & Holloway Funeral Homes, Park Memorial Chapel, 5008 Elbow Drive S.W.

CLUB NEWS

LUNCHEON – November 3, 2010

There were 62 Gyros, Gyrettes and guests at our Remembrance Day luncheon held at the Carriage House Inn. Gord Anderson gave the grace which was followed by two minutes of silence.

Following lunch Steve Denny, our Past President, installed Fred Thiessen, our newest member. Fred was accompanied by his wife Anne.

President John Hodgson spoke briefly about Curlarama, the Past Presidents' Dinner, and our annual charity bingo.

Bob Steele introduced our guest speaker A.J. (Tony) Foster who is currently serving in the rank of Captain with the G3 Operations and 2IC of the 41 CBG Battle School.

Captain Foster was deployed to Sarajevo from March 7, 2001 to Sept 17, 2001 as part of J6 at the Stabilization Force Headquarters at J6 SO/S1. During this period, he had the opportunity to participate in divisional level strategic planning where he worked with many of the NATO country representatives.

On February 2, 2007, Captain Foster transferred into the regular force and then into the infantry. He completed his mounted and dismounted infantry commander course in Gagetown, New Brunswick. He was subsequently posted to 1 PPC II in Edmonton on September 15, 2007. He joined the First Battalion when it deployed to Afghanistan in Oct of 2009 and he returned home on June 1, 2010.

Captain Foster spoke about his experiences in Afghanistan. He relayed the message that the Canadians were going to continue in Afghanistan with the goal of training the Afghanistan military. Captain Foster stressed that the Canadians are in Afghanistan to give support to the country, but not to occupy the country.

A question period followed. Bob Lane thanked Captain Foster for a most interesting and informative presentation (talk and slide show) which was very much enjoyed by all.

GYRO DISTRICT VIII – 2010 CURLARAMA



The Stampede Club hosted a successful Curlarama in Banff/Canmore from November 5th to 7th. The event, held in Canmore, was attended by approximately 80 Gyros and guests from nine District VIII clubs and one District IV club, "The Albemiss".

The Calgary Club was represented by four teams. Larry Fenton and his three guests had a great run, but were nosed out in the A Event final by The Albemis. John Hodgson, Bill Schultz, and their two guests lost their first game, but went on undefeated to capture the B Event. Ken Baker, Cliff Deis, and their two guests were eliminated in the semi-final of the C Event which was eventually won by Sherwood Park. Nelson prevailed as the D Event winner.

Our fourth team comprised of Bob Nixon, Steve Denny, Dave Jenner, and Wayne Sinclair appeared strong "on paper", but did not live up to their advance billing. They lost all three of their games. Their final loss was to Castlegar. Based on unconfirmed reports, this was Castlegar's first win at Curlarama in more than 25 years. However, it should be noted that the Nixon Quartet's motivation in the game was questionable as a win meant that they would have advanced to a 7:00 a.m. game on Sunday.

Everyone enjoyed the keen curling competition and Gyro friendship. Thanks again to the Stampede Club for hosting Curlarama 2010.

John Hodgson

ANNUAL CHARITY BINGO – November 25, 2010

On November 25th, eighty-two attended our annual Charity Bingo. Through the generosity of those in attendance our club was able to raise \$850 which will be donated to the Canadian Cancer Society. As usual, the final game of the evening was a blackout. Betty Fildes was the happy winner of the prize of a Texas Mickey which was donated by the Stampede Club. The winner of the 50-50 draw this year was Gary Cull who went home with \$300 dollars. Congratulations to all the winners!! Following the bingo games there was time to visit and socialize over some coffee and sandwiches.



Cecilia Doborzynski, Donna Gareau and Vivian Palardy checking out the prizes !!



Bob Rowan, Betty Fildes (the Big Winner) and Ken Baker



Gary Davies and John Hodgson
(all those tickets and he didn't win !!!!)



Another table of happy bingo players !!!!

I would personally like to thank all those who volunteered their time and talents, and all those who provided the wonderful prizes. It made my job very easy.

Story and photos by Ken Baker

A LITTLE BIT OF HUMOR.....

An elderly man in Louisiana had owned a large farm for several years. He had a big pond in the back of his property. It was nicely shaped for swimming so he fixed it up with picnic tables, horseshoe courts, and some apple and peach trees. One evening, the old farmer decided to go down to the pond to look it over as he hadn't been there for a while. He grabbed a five gallon bucket to bring back some fruit.

As he neared the pond, he heard gleeful laughing and shouting. As he came closer he saw a bunch of young women skinny-dipping in his pond. He made the women aware of his presence and they all went to the deep end of the water.

One of the women shouted to him, "We're not coming out until you leave!"

The old man frowned, "I didn't come down here to watch you ladies swim naked or make you get out of the pond naked." Holding the bucket up, he said, "I'm here to feed the alligator."

(Copied from the Parks Point Bulletin)

*Merry
Christmas*

Bryan Sherwood - Bulletin Editor



KEEP THE FUN IN GYRO