



Gyrodeo



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FEBRUARY 2008 BULLETIN

Hello Gyros,

It is with regret that I pass along the sad news that Walt Howard passed away on Sunday, January 20th, 2008.

Walt was a long time Gyro, belonging to our club from 1966 until ill-health forced his resignation last year. He, and his Gyrette, Penny, were strong supporters of the club in their more active years. He was President of the club 1988-1989, and as such, followed in the footsteps of his father who was also a club President. As a member of the Al Azhar Shrine Horse Patrol, Walt ensured that the Gyro Club was able to use the Shrine Patrol Grounds for our horseshoe pitch and other functions over the past number of years.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Penny and Walt's family in this time of sorrow.

Funeral services were held on Friday, January 25.

Gary Cull

MARK YOUR CLENDARS FOR THESE UPCOMING EVENTS

<p>Wednesday, February 6</p>	<p>Noon Luncheon Meeting - Carriage House Inn The speaker is Deborah Laderoute. The topic is Carriage Driving.</p>
<p>Wednesday, February 20</p>	<p>Mixed & Joint Noon Luncheon Meeting at CANYON MEADOWS GOLF CLUB Program is by the Doctors from the Libin Heart Institute The hosts are the Stampede City Gyro Club. The cost of the lunch & program is \$25.00 each.</p>
<p>Saturday, February 23</p>	<p>Fun Night The hosts are Wayne Sinclair, Jim Barr & Bill Schultz This is a MIXED event and Guests are always welcome. See page 3 for details.....</p>

THOUGHTS FOR THE DAY.....

Golf can best be defined as an endless series of tragedies, obscured by the occasional miracle, followed by a good bottle of beer.

An interesting thing about golf is that no matter how badly you play..... it is always possible to get worse.

HEALTH OF THE CLUB

Just before he left on holidays, Bob Steele called to advise that Bob Walker was now at home with his "new" knee.

I called Bob to see how he was doing. Bob stated that his knee is still very sore but that he is doing well. He will not be too mobile for several months as he has a long series of physiotherapy ahead of him.

When I spoke to Bob, I also enquired about Gerri's well being. Gerri has been in the fond concerns of both the Gyrettes and the Gyros through her recent many months of ill health. She has patiently and graciously played the waiting game with the doctors while decisions about forms of treatment are being considered. Doctors have decided to start with radiation treatments. We hold you in our kindest thoughts and prayers, Gerri.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

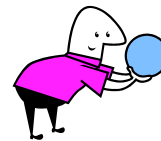
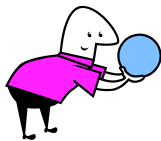
2 nd	Bill McCachen, Ken Baker
9 th	Bill Warrack
14 th	Fay Anderson
15 th	Bernie Somerville



Have a great day gentlemen !!!!!



FUN! FUN! FUN!



GYRO INDOOR BOCCE NIGHT

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2008 at 7:00 P.M.

CALGARY ITALIAN CLUB
416 - 1 AVE. N.E.

**FEATURING - 5 LANES OF INDOOR BOCCE
HOR'S DOUVRES & SNACKS
CASH BAR**

COST IS \$15.00 PER PERSON AND GUESTS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME !!!

TO REGISTER, CONTACT A HOST:

Wayne Sinclair 208-1945

Bill Schultz 259-6144

Jim Barr 253-6378



SOME EARLY REMINDERS OF UPCOMING EVENTS - MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW !!

MARCH 2008

Wednesday, March 5, 2008	Noon Luncheon Meeting - Carriage House Inn The speaker is Lesley Keyter, "The Travel Lady" with a Travel Film Presentation
March 14-16, 2008	District VIII Interim meeting - <u>Fairmont, BC</u>
Wednesday, March 19, 2008	Noon Luncheon Meeting - Carriage House Inn The speaker is Mr. Al Norris with an Easter Week Presentation
APRIL 2008	
Wednesday, April 2, 2008	Noon Luncheon Meeting - Carriage House Inn The speaker is Dr. Jim Dewald of the Haskayne Business School, University of Calgary The topic is Calgary Urban and Road Design
Tuesday, April 15, 2008	Crib Night - Legion Br 285, 9202 Horton Road SW This is a joint function with the Stampede City Club Details will be in the April Bulletin
Sunday, April 20, 2008	Spring Brunch - Silver Springs Golf and Country Club Details will be in the April Bulletin.

CHANGES TO THE CLUB ROSTER

Ross Farrell has resigned from the club citing medical reasons.

Margaret Hodges (Honorary Associate) has a new address:

CareWest Royal Park
#13, 4222 Sarcree Road S.W.
Calgary, AB T3E 7J8
Telephone: 301-3558

CLUB NEWS.....

LUNCHEON – January 9th

There were 37 Gyros and guests at the luncheon held at the Carriage House Inn. After visiting and lunch, we had a talk on 'nuclear energy development in Alberta' presented by Mr. Rene Godin. His talk was followed by a question and answer session. For those of us who had little knowledge on the topic, Mr. Godin's talk was most interesting and informative.

LUNCHEON – January 23rd

There were 19 Gyros at the luncheon held at the Carriage House Inn. This was a business meeting. Don MacMahon gave a eulogy in honor of Walt Howard who passed away on January 20th. The financial reports were presented at the meeting. The main topic of the meeting was with regards to our charity bingo. The Carriage House Inn levied a charge for the use of the room, for the first time, which really cut into our profits, and subsequently, reduced our donation to the Veteran's Food Bank. The committee hosting the charity bingo next year will be looking into several different options to hold down our expenses.

A LITTLE BIT OF HUMOR.....

A tour bus driver drives with a bus full of seniors down a highway and he is tapped on his shoulder by a little old lady. She offers him a handful of peanuts, which he gratefully munches up.

After approximately 15 minutes, she taps him on his shoulder again and she hands him another handful of peanuts. She repeats this gesture about eight times.

On the ninth time he asks the little old lady why they do not eat the peanuts themselves, whereupon she replies that it is not possible because of their old teeth, they are not able to chew them.

"Why do you buy them then?" he asks puzzled.

Whereupon the old lady answers, 'We just love the chocolate around them.....'



KEEP THE FUN IN GYRO

Hope you all managed to survive the cold spell over the last two weeks. I was working north of High Prairie (and that is why the Gyrodeo is late this month). On January 22nd the thermometer read minus 51 degrees Celsius. I do not know what the wind chill factor was, except that it was very, very cold.....

Bryan Sherwood – Bulletin Editor