THE OFFICIAL BULLETIN OF THE GYRO CLUB OF SHERWOOD PARK

VOLUME 44 EDITION: 4 DATE: OCTOBER 16 , 2017 EDITOR: Scott Brisbin

I WAS JUST THINKING: Do twins ever realize that one of them is unplanned?

What's Inside:

- Editor's Rant
- Last Meeting
- Future Meetings
- Misc. Ha Ha's
- Meanwhile in Canada
- Meanwhile NOT in Canada
- Animal Instinks'
- The Last Word

The Club's Grand Poobahs:

President: **Ken Lesniak**

Vice President: **Rick Craddock**

Past President: **Art Merrick**

Treasurer: **Erik Braun**

Secretary: **John Williams**

Registrar: **Dorne Hunt**

Directors: **Herb Zmurchuk, Gary Jones, George Ward, Paul West**

EDITOR'S RANT:

It's the dentist's favourite day. Weight loss clinics celebrate it too. But the big winners nowadays are the Halloween specialty shops that sprout up like fungi in August to get ahead of the Christmas specialty shops that show up in September.

Kids don't do much Trick or Treating any more in the neighbourhoods. There's more action with less effort in the Malls. That leaves many of us with the chore of eating all the leftover candy at the end of the night. For that reason I only buy my favourites and plenty of them (just in case a few hundred goblins decide to buck the trend and come to our street.)

It's Calli's favourite day of the year too. We have more Halloween decorations and accessories on shelves in the garage than we do Christmas paraphernalia. She decorates the

RANT continued:

house and yard as well as herself. When our dog was alive she dressed him up too. We don't dress him up any more. That would be just creepy, even for Halloween.

I don't see as much evidence of the "Trick" part of Trick or Treat any more either. I would tell my grandchildren of some of our escapades except I don't want to have to go down and bail them out. They just don't make Halloweens like they used to. Bah! Humbug!

SHARE THIS INFORMATION AND APPEAR ODD

Perfect party conversation starters for the socially inept

* On average, 12 newborns will be given to the wrong parents daily! (That explains a few mysteries...

* Donald Duck comics were banned from Finland because he doesn't wear pants.

* Because metal was scarce, the Oscars given out during World War II were made of wood.

* The name Wendy was made up for the book Peter Pan. There was never a recorded Wendy before.

* The very first bomb dropped by the Allies on Berlin in World War II killed the only elephant in the Berlin Zoo.

'TIS THE SEASON

GOULISH GRINS

Halloween man-bun

NEXT MEETING: Founders Night Oct.25

An important meeting is coming up—Founders' Night. Each year we gather to recall our club's roots over a century ago. This is an excellent opportunity to introduce a guest to the concept of Gyro. As usual it is a joint meeting with other clubs in the area and this year our club is hosting. Please note it is a **mixed function** (i.e. not just mixing with other clubs but it is co-ed as well, so inform and then bring your better half.) The venue will be the **Belvedere Golf and Country Club** and they are known for putting on a fine spread. Contact the organizers, Call or e-mail **Ken Lesniak** or **Rick Craddock** today.

Ken: kencarol@telusplanet.net ; 780) 467-9767

Rick: richardcraddock@shaw.ca (780)467-0900

AND THE MEETING AFTER THAT: New member promotion (Guest Speaker or tour November 8th)

This one is vital to the health of the club. **Allan Bleiken** and **Art Merrick** are cooking up a big evening for us with details to follow shortly. Meanwhile, start thinking about someone you can invite to experience some Gyro fun and friendship.

If you have a brilliant idea for a guest speaker or tour, contact Allan, Art or me. If Allan already has the November 8th evening tied up for delivery there will be future opportunities to explore (e.g. March 7th) and it is never too early to start.

This is one area that I think the Edmonton club approaches differently than we do. They have extremely interesting guest speakers on a regular basis, not just once or twice a year.

GYRETTE NEWS:

- Gyrettes' next meeting is scheduled for November 1st. Participants will be filling gift bags for the Christmas bureau - always a fun evening.

HEALTH AND WELFARE report by Rikke Dootjes

Rikke@viscon.net or if at home 780-467-6548

Tip: **Here are 11 foods to avoid when you're trying to lose weight.**

French Fries and Potato Chips. Whole potatoes are healthy and filling, but french fries and potato chips are not. ...

Sugary Drinks. ...

White Bread. ...

Candy Bars. ...

Most Fruit Juices. ...

Pastries, Cookies and Cakes. ...

Some Types of Alcohol (Especially Beer) ...

Ice Cream.

STAY HEALTHY, AND DON'T MAKE ME WRITE SOMETHING ABOUT YOU!

Regards

~Rikke~

LAST MEETING: BOCCE October 11th

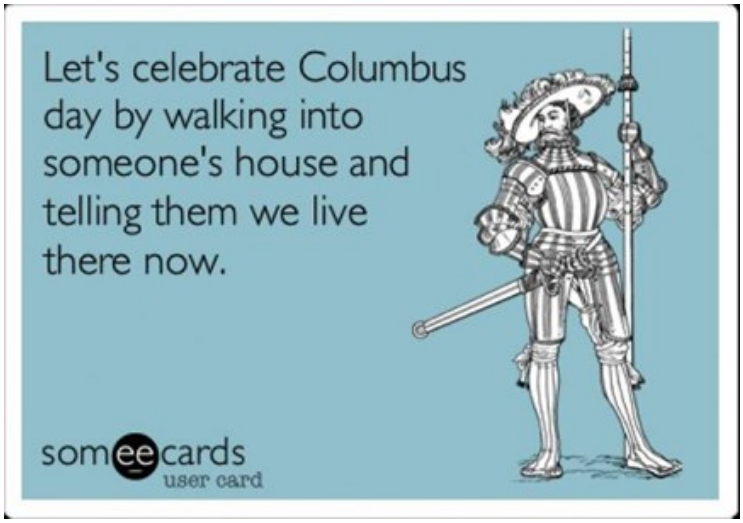
Organizer **Augie Annicchiarico** submitted the following report: *Sherwood Park and Edmonton Gyro clubs enjoyed a very successful joint bocce evening at the Ital Canadian Seniors Centre. With a bocce tournament as the theme, we enjoyed great fellowship and a fine meal. Fifty members participated (2 guests) (27 Sherwood Park and 23 Edmonton). The teams were organized so that 2 Sherwood Park and 2 Edmonton Gyros or guests were on each team. The winning team consisted of Sherwoood Park - **Gordon Stewart** and **Lloyd Wilson** and Edmonton- **Fred Schulte** and **Dave Burnett**. The W. H. Wilson trophy was presented to the Sherwood Park twosome and the Gordon Rennie trophy was presented to the Edmonton twosome. A bottle of Italian wine was the prize for each of the foursome. All expressed a desire to make this an annual event. Edmonton club (Mike Matei) offered to organize next year's event.* *AA*

Grazie to **Augie** and **George Ward** for overseeing such a fun evening.

MEANWHILE IN CANADA

Meanwhile NOT in Canada

Little did Donald Trump realize that the Mexicans had devised a cunning plan to get past his wall



WHERE TO RETIRE IN AMERICA: (first chapter in an series this winter)

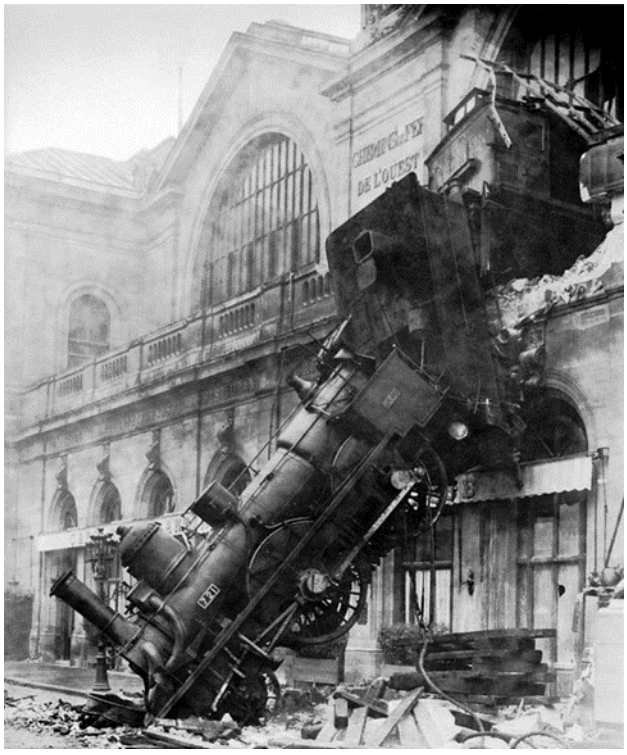
You can retire to California, where….

1. You make over $450,000 a year and you still can't afford to buy a house.
2. The fastest part of your commute is going down your driveway.
3. You know how to eat an artichoke.
4. When someone asks you how far something is, you tell them how long it will take to get there rather than how many miles away it is.
5. The four seasons are: Fire, Flood, Mud and Drought. (e.g. Napa Valley this month!)

PICTURES PLEADING FOR A CAPTION Dept.

Get that plumbing contractor on the phone! Stat!

So there WAS a fork in the road!



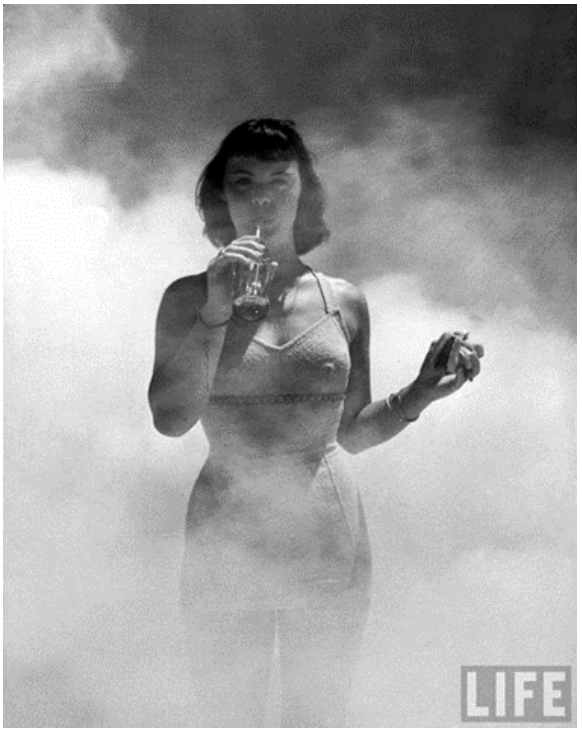
Oh wait, NOW I remember. Push lever forward to accelerate; pull lever back to brake... My bad.

Looks like Fred Flintstone just drove past

DO YOU REMEMBER? (THOSE WERE THE DAYS, I GUESS)

Just throw the kids in the back of the pickup

They'll have fun bouncing along the bumpy roads

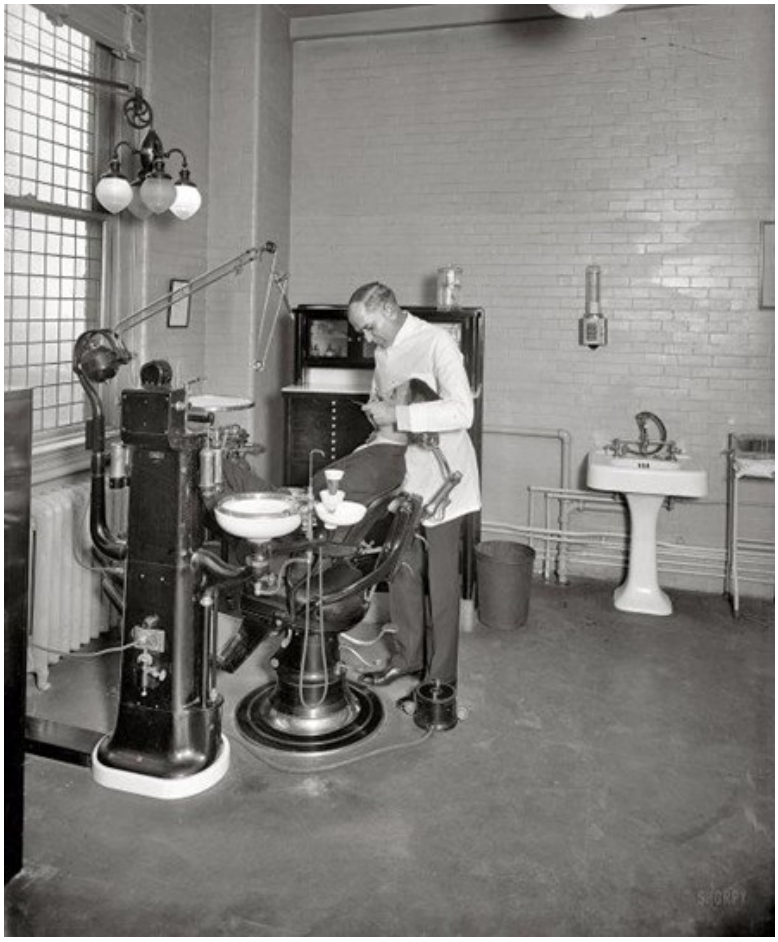


DDT is sprayed around model Kay Heffernon to show that it won't contaminate her food 1948. ~ LIFE Magazine (OMG..bet she's dead now!)

A 1959 microwave! "Cooks eggs in 45 seconds".

Howdy Doody? 1950's TV Mum said "you'll ruin your eyes sitting that close."

BEFORE MY TIME Some wonderful images from the past



Giving “head count” a new meaning

ANIMAL INSTINKS

SEASONAL SNICKERS and GUFFAWS

THE FOOD PAGE...The magic is in the presentation

A special Halloween dish: Dust loaf and cheese

A POTPOURRI OF PICS

Original Snow Birds, c1922

But the North can be very nice too….in July.

GYRO FRIENDSHIP THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

AND THE LAST WORD….

SB