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CALOOSA GYRO CLUB OFFICERS:

President.....John Bint

Secretary.....Pete Stocker

Directors..... Bill Burns, John Styles,
Richard Leister

1st Vice President & Treasurer.....Ronn Skolnik

2nd Vice President.....Ed Roever

Bulletin Editor.....Pete Stocker

Membership Chairman.....Steve Anderson

Don't forget to send, or call with best wishes to your friends. Stay in touch!

BIRTHDAYS: Steve Day March 8, Cathy Styles March 9, Bill Beadle March 11, Donna Schilling March 14, John Bint March 18, Jordan Baranik March 20.

ANNIVERSARIES: (None in March, One in early April: John and Carla Kachmar April 2.)

"In poverty and other misfortunes of life, true friends are a sure refuge. The young they keep out of mischief; to the old, they are a comfort and aid in their weakness, and those in the prime of life, they incite to noble deeds." - Aristotle

CLUB SCHEDULE:

March 1, 2023 Wed. 11:45 AM - (Stag) at The Standard Restaurant, Sabal Springs

March 15, 2023 Wed. 11:45 AM - (Stag) Luncheon at Beef O'Brady's, Santa Barbara

March 22, 2023 Wed. 11:30-Noon - Picnic at the W P Franklin Recreation Area Pavilion,
17850 N Franklin Lock Road, Alva (see Flyer to follow)

Bint
Stocker
Skolnik

CALOOSA CLUB NEWS:

The Caloosa Gyro Club Annual Dinner for Installation of Club Officers, Directors and New Members was held on Friday, February 24, 2023 at the Herons Glen Clubhouse in North Fort Myers, Florida. There were 42 people present, including members, their ladies, guests, and four New Members. President John Bint stepped in as Master of Ceremonies due to Steve and Patty Anderson both suffering from Covid! John delivered the Incoming Remarks (see President's Message below) and installed the New Officers, Directors and Members. New Officers for the next year are: John Bint, President; Ronn Skolnik, 1st Vice President and Treasurer; Ed Roever, 2nd Vice President; Pete Stocker, Secretary. Directors are: Bill Burns, Richard Leister, and John Styles. Steve Anderson remains a Director. New Members are: Bill Beadle, Bob Robertson, Jim Sciple, and Bruce Weyne. A few pictures follow (thanks to photos by Deb Phinney):



New Members



Officers



Directors



Gyros and Gyrettes who could not attend due to health issues were Steve and Patty Anderson, Steve and Joanne Bull, and Steve and Marian Day. Prayers and best wishes for their recoveries.

DISTRICT X NEWS

It is now likely that there will be no District X meeting during the First Two Quarters of 2023.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS:

A flyer for the 2023 Gyro International & District Convention was distributed at the Installation Dinner. Members can look up more information in the most recent (Fall 2022) Gyroscope (see page 23).

MISCELLANEOUS:

A few examples of "lexophilia":

- To write with a broken pencil is pointless
- You can tune a piano, but you can't tuna fish.
- England has no kidney bank, but it does have a Liverpool.
- Haunted French pancakes give me the crepes.
- A dentist and a manicurist married. They fought tooth and nail.
- An iPod user changed its name to Titanic. It's syncing now.

CURRENT PROSPECTS LIST/NEW MEMBERS:

Ron Neurohr
Mike Wojchick

SPONSOR(S):

Dave Stokley
Dave Stokley

NEW MEMBERS:

Installed on February 24th were Bill Beadle, Bob Robertson, John Styles, and Bruce Weyne. Welcome!

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT:



JOHN'S INSTALLATION SPEECH

Hello my friends and thank you all for coming. I don't want this speech to sound like a State of the Union address, but looking over my notes it does look a bit like one!

Our Club is in fine shape and tonight's attendance is proof of this. I think that we have around 40 attendees this evening, which is great.

Some time back we had set a goal to achieve a total of 20 members. However, with addition of Associate Members this goal was increased to 25, and now we have exceeded that number with our installation of the 4 new members this evening. A great job, guys and a big thank you to the sponsors of the new members and to our Membership Chairman, Steve Anderson.

I would also like to give a very warm welcome to the new members. I hope that you will enjoy your membership with our club and take full advantage of all that Gyro International has to offer.

Looking back on last year I am pleased to say that it was one of considerable achievements. In addition to the increase in membership, we managed to organize 9 couple's functions and over 14 Stag meetings.

Also, as you have seen with the installation of 1st and 2nd Vice Presidents, we have finally set in motion a line of succession for the position of president. This is something that we have thought about for some time, and have now achieved. It will ensure that the club will continue to be strong and prosperous long into the future.

Our plan this year will be to have at least the same number of events, with an even greater variety of venues. I plan to set up an Event's Committee, headed by one of the directors, to come up with new ideas for fun events. This committee will be looking to you all for your inputs, as we welcome any ideas to maintain the fun and interest of our club.

I would like to welcome the new board of directors – welcome guys.... And also thank the out-going directors, Jerry Schlieman and Brian Webb for their help over the last few years.

My thanks to Pete Stocker for his sterling work as secretary and Bulletin editor and to Ronn Skolnik, our treasurer and now 1st VP.

Also, a special thanks to the lady Gyros for your support over the last year.

Last, but not least, my thanks to Steve Anderson for organizing tonight's program, for his help in running the club and his tireless search for new members. Thank you, Steve.

Finally, Gyros and Gyrettes, enjoy the rest of the evening and I hope that you are having as much fun as I am. Thank you all,

John

Message from the Membership Chairman, Steve Anderson

Gyro Sustainability

The Gyro concept that was conceived over 100 years ago is still as relevant today as it was back then, but we are living and enjoying a different version of it in the 21st century. Simply put, “Gyro is a social club that offers the opportunity for Fun, Friendship, Travel, Networking, and Socializing in a friendly & relaxed environment.” We just need to be more vigilant in delivering our message.

Today we need to put a stronger emphasis on FUN to offset the stereotypical image of being a senior's organization. As society evolves and changes, so should our Gyro organization. Our sustainability is tied to recruitment and member satisfaction, and this Membership Strategy is intended to build on what we currently have, as well as, focus on what we need in the years ahead. Participation by the membership is paramount for the strategy to be successful; therefore, contributions from as many as possible, at whatever level of assistance the members can offer, will ensure the future sustainability of Gyro and of our club.

There are new committees being considered that perhaps your ‘Skill Set’, or your interests, and strengths may contribute to building a stronger, and a continuing enjoyable Gyro experience. Let your club leadership know of your desire to contribute. “Hello Gyro”!

Cheers,

Steve

