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CALOOSA GYRO CLUB OFFICERS:

President.....Steve Anderson

Secretary.....Bill Beadle

Directors – Committee Chairs:

John Bint (Communications),

Bob McCoy (Events Planning)

Vice President.....(Vacant)

Treasurer.....Edd Huetteman

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: Brian Webb-February 7, Ron Neurohr-February 11, Joanne Bull-February 22.

ANNIVERSARIES: Bill and Leslie Burns-February 12, Bob and Barbara Robertson-February 19,
Jerry and Lucy Schliemann-February 20, Steve and Joanne Bull-February 29 (28)

*"True friendship is like sound health; the value of it is seldom known until it is lost."
-Charles Caleb Colton*

CLUB SCHEDULE:

February 5, 2025, Wed., 11:45 AM-(Stag) Luncheon at Sea-Craft Waterfront Tiki, N Ft Myers

February 11, 2025, Tuesday, 5:00 PM-(Couples) Installation Dinner at Magnolia Landing, N Ft Myers

February 14, 2025, Friday, (Time and Place TBD by EVENTS Committee)

February 19 2025, Wed., (Stag) Luncheon at Sabal Springs Restaurant, N Ft. Myers

CALOOSA CLUB NEWS:

On January 30, 2025, a couples' dinner featuring a full menu and "Singo Bingo" at Cape Cabaret in Cape Coral. Attendance was 22 music loving members, with 4 "No-Shows". Apparently most members enjoyed a good dinner and the music clips associated with the bingo cards, which contained a number of hits from the 50's, 60's and 70's. Following are a couple of Pictures:



On a sad note, Jim Commodore has advised that due to health complications, he will not be returning to Florida for the foreseeable future, and as a result he is resigning from the Club effective immediately. Jim is a fine man, and he and his late wife, Carol, were great together, and will definitely be missed.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS:

The proposed Gyro International Restructure Implementation Committee second monthly Zoom Meeting was held Thursday, January 16. The proposed Restructure Implementation Plan was further discussed, along with the revised GYRO International Constitution and By-Laws. Some of the language in the Proposed Revised Constitution was changed to reflect that Gyro International will remain a true Fraternity of Friendship. Some of the other items requiring clarification were discussed, including the Betterment Fund, and dues to the International.

The next Zoom meeting will be held on Thursday, January 16th.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Holmes and Watson Went Camping

Sherlock Holmes and Dr Watson were out camping. They pitched their tent under the stars and went to sleep. Sometime in the middle of the night Holmes woke Watson up and said: "Watson, look up and tell me what you see."

Watson replied: "I see millions and millions of stars."

Holmes said: "and what do you deduce from that?"

Watson replied: "Well, if there are millions of stars, and if even a few of those have planets, it's quite likely there are some planets like earth out there. And if there are a few planets like earth out there, there might also be life."

And Holmes said: "Watson, you idiot, it means that somebody stole our tent."

-Submitted by Bill Beadle

DISTRICT X NEWS

Gyro District 10: Greetings from your “Short Term Governor.” A quick backward glance reveals a district with 7 successful clubs that in the end were unable to refresh themselves with new members and new energy, except for one. The Caloosa Gyro Club, which while showing a similar average member age of those clubs that have folded, continues to grow with the introduction of new members who seem to understand the combination of member retention and member growth; Successful progress.

They also grasp the concept of volunteering in both small and larger tasks for the good of the order, in ways that brings value and personal satisfaction to its members.

Combining those attributes with the desire to, “Share Gyro with a Friend” by inviting guests who are neighbors, church folks, hobby, and special interest buddies, bodes well for the long life of the Caloosa Club.

As District X Governor my extended term will end with the implementation of the Gyro Re-structure Proposal in June 2026. Before then, my attention will be directed to growing our district by adding 2 maybe 3 clubs in SW Florida. Golf communities & Independent Living Retirement Villages have been listed as demographic targets of opportunity. Management & Social Directors have been contacted in 3 different targets. Gyro information packets have been assembled and are ready when we schedule introduction gatherings with the residents of various facilities. We have a Membership Recruiting Team that includes me, Pete Stocker, John Bint, Richard Leister, & Edd Huetteman, who has recently expressed interest in helping. Anyone interested in joining the effort, please let me know. This type of “external outreach” can be fun and rewarding when new clubs are chartered.

Meanwhile how about each of you writing a list of 3 names who you, or your wife might feel are member candidates, and give it to our team for action.

Thank you all for your involvement and your friendship. “Rings and jewels are but mere excuses as gifts; the only true gift is a portion of thyself.” Emerson

Cheers,

Goose

CURRENT PROSPECTS LIST/NEW MEMBERS: (Please provide names of any new Prospects!)

Russell Kroszner	Sponsor: Bob McCoy
Bob Marincic	Sponsor: John Bint
Steve Rose	Sponsor: Richard Leister
Ed Pasteur (Candidate)	Sponsor: Steve Anderson
Dan Guay (Possible Associate Member)	Sponsors: Steve Anderson, Pete Stocker
Jerry Carlson	Sponsor: Steve Anderson

NEW MEMBERS:

(To be installed at the February 11 Installation Dinner):

Russell Kroszner, Bob Marincic, and Jerry Carlson

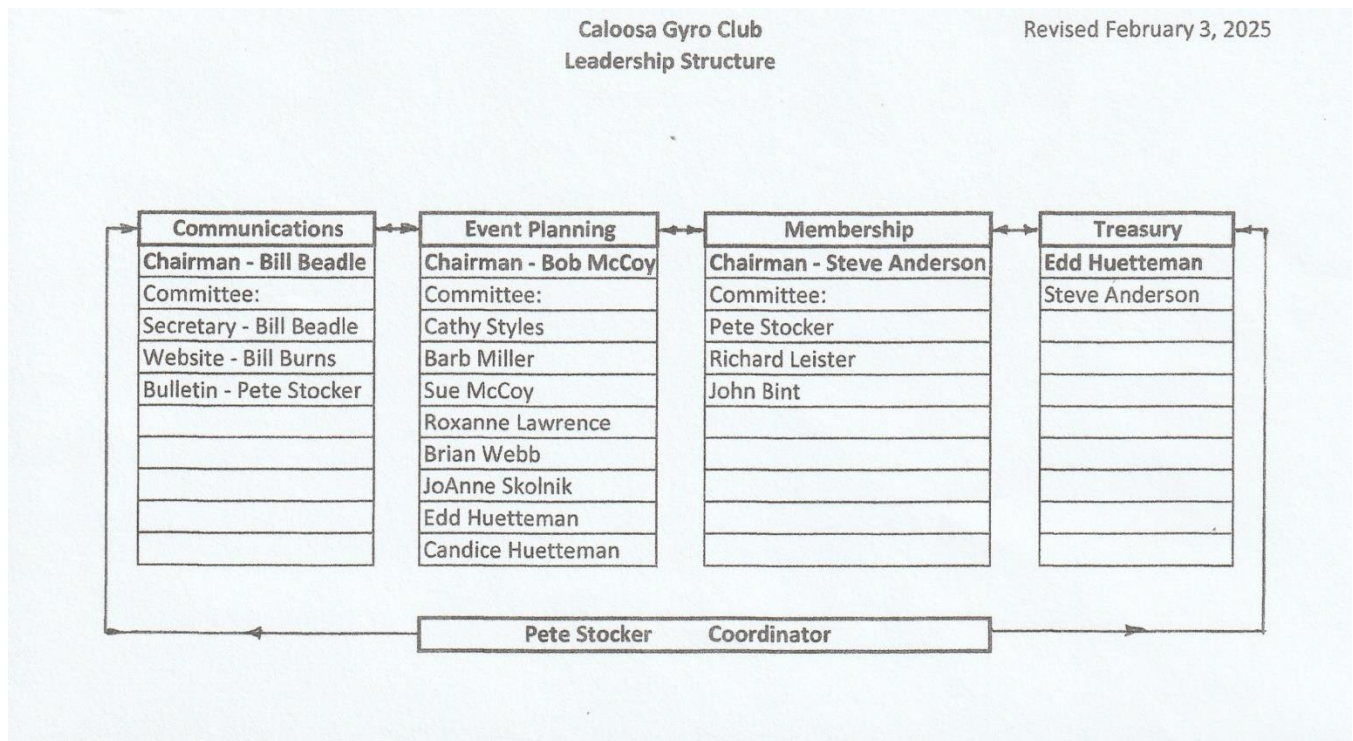
MESSAGE FROM THE OUTGOING PRESIDENT and MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN:

“Honk, Honk”, Hello my feathered friends. It’s time for this lead Goose to rotate further back in the flock formation. It is as it should be. The formation of the Caloosa Club is about to change a bit, but still having strong leadership at the front, supported by flock participation. The new structure will no longer have a President or Vice President.

The New formation will still have leadership at point, but now those positions will include: “Chairmen” heading 3 committees; The Events Planning Committee Chair Bob McCoy, Communications Committee Chair-Bill Beadle, and Membership Recruiting Committee Chair-Steve Anderson. The very important positions of Treasurer-Edd Huetteman, and Secretary-Bill Beadle will fill out the Club Leadership Committee, with the “Committee Coordinator” position set as Pete Stocker. Thank you all for stepping up in support of perpetuating our club. Each will serve for 2 year terms. Upon request to leave before 2 years, another Chairman may be appointed by the 5 club leaders.

The 5 group leaders will be installed Feb 11th during our annual Installation Banquet. We will also be inducting 3 new members into our “Flock.” They are Jerry Carlson, Russell Kroszner, and Bob Marincic. Hello Gyro!

Sincere thanks to all our members and to the ladies who have participated and have contributed to the health and welfare of our fellowship. We continue to grow in numbers, while joining in mutual desire to enjoy the company of our friends during interesting, & enjoyable gatherings. Lots of good things are ahead. The events planning committee has already set a full calendar through the end of 2025. Look whose honking now.



Cheers! Your Friend in Gyro,

Steve

