



# GOVERNOR'S BULLETIN

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## Wallace Club 82<sup>nd</sup> Installation

Ken Baker accompanied me on a road trip to Wallace Idaho on 9 January, where we narrowly missed Moose, Eagles, Turkeys and erratic drivers. We were excited Gyros when we realized there was a record Powerball prize up for grabs – we could solve all of Gyro financial problems for several years. Our plans and dreams were dashed when some undeserving sots won. Instead we enjoyed the always entertaining Wallace club and their hospitality.

Dave Deroos, Current Past Governor, acted as MC. Despite the basketball fans being absent, there was a good turnout to thank Past President Dan Hussey who gave an interesting perspective on the information available on Gyro international website. Next was the installation of a young president Dustin



Howell – pictured here. He appears to be able to work with the unruly crew. They noted that the Gyro International Gong presented to them in 2014 is missing so if a club could let them know where it is it would be appreciated.

I was especially pleased to see PDG Archie Hulsizer who was District Governor in 1960. Admirable service by a fine gentleman.

## District VIII Convention Registration is Open

The registration package is now available on the District Website and was emailed to all District Gyros – although there were a couple Gyros that did not receive the memo. Please let me know, as there could be a database issue.

We are pleased that Clubs have stepped up to host parts of the Event. In this case Edmonton is running Golf; Sherwood Park is running the Western Night on Friday May 27; Lethbridge is running Registration; Nelson is hosting District Hospitality. However, We could use a club to host Bocce – lay out the course and track the draws. To the left Ken Baker, Roy Penniket and John Hodgson are having a chuckle while planning the convention in a western theme.



The registration fee is going to be reduced by \$100 to \$299 for a couple so strap on your chaps and skedaddle to the mountains for some friendship and fun.

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<http://www.District8.gyro.ws>

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*An international organization that provides a setting for our members and friends to socialize and have fun.*

## Savannah International Convention

From February 8 – 11, Gyros from ten districts gathered in Savannah Georgia to work on sustaining Gyro. District VIII was well represented as you can see in the picture below. Ladies from left to right were: Mary Ann Woodroffe, Stampede City; Tara Pentney, Stampede City; Laura Young, Calgary; Evelyn MacLeod, Calgary; Ann Baker, Calgary and Lynne Penneket, Lethbridge. The men are Dale Woodroffe, International 2<sup>nd</sup> VP; John Hodgson, DVIII Lt. Governor; Rod MacLeod, Calgary President; Ken Baker, PDG Stud Muffin and Roy Penneket PDG.

I chaired the Governors meeting with the able financial assistance of Ken Baker. Some of the topics discussed were:

1. Designate a list of Districts to host Conventions starting in 2018 since Vancouver (DIV) will host in 2017(to be discussed in Red Lake)
2. Eliminate the Interim Convention in 2018 as a cost saving.
3. Publish financial details of travel expenses for the past 4 years.
4. Reduce the budget by \$20,000 given the devalued Canadian dollar and declining membership. Several options, including cutting expenses and reducing conventions by one day, were provided to the Executive to balance the budget for the Annual Meeting in Red Lake.



## For the Good of the District

If you are looking for fun ideas please consult the **Gyro cookbook** at:

[http://international.gyro.ws/index\\_html\\_files/GYRO%20NEW%20GYRO%20FUN%20PARTY%20COOKBOOK.pdf](http://international.gyro.ws/index_html_files/GYRO%20NEW%20GYRO%20FUN%20PARTY%20COOKBOOK.pdf)

A letter went out to all club presidents to nominate a **Lieutenant Governor**. Please provide a response to Ken Baker [Ken.Baker65@gmail.com](mailto:Ken.Baker65@gmail.com) by March 31.

Details of the **International Convention in Red Lake, Ontario** July 11 to 17 2016 is now on the new District VIII website at <http://district8.gyro.ws>.

2017 conventions are in **San Diego** January 29 to February 3 and in **Vancouver** June 9 to 13<sup>th</sup> followed by an optional **cruise to Alaska**.

Please send information on your club **special events** and installations to Jim Copeland ([jim.copeland@icloud.com](mailto:jim.copeland@icloud.com)) as we all would like the opportunity to see what is happening and possibly participate.

In the next 4 weeks you can celebrate Leap Year, St. Patrick's Day, Easter and the First day of Spring with all your Gyro friends.

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