

INSTALLATION OF NEW MEMBERS

The impression that a new member receives when he is initiated may largely determine what kind of Gyro he will become. If the initiation is slipshod, without seriousness or depth, he may infer that the whole organization is without seriousness or depth. It is highly recommended that any installing officer (district or international) observe an appropriate decorum when inducting new Gyros.

The installing officer calls the new member's sponsor to the front of the room.

He gives the following charge to the Sponsor.

“As the Sponsor of this Candidate for Gyro Membership, do you promise to encourage and oversee his regular attendance at Gyro meetings and to support him in any duties and responsibilities he assumes in the Gyro Organization?”

The sponsor answers, “I do so promise.”

The installing officer calls the new member to the front of the room. Briefly, he outlines the history of Gyro at both the international and local level. He then stresses that we are a Fraternity of Friendship, that promoting fraternity and friendship is expected of every member. He tells him that he has been perceived as one who will live by Gyro ideals and that accordingly he has been selected.

He is then given the charge, as follows:

“Do you (name the person being initiated) solemnly promise to uphold the Gyro Principle, attend meetings regularly, and support the members of this club to the best of your abilities?”

The new member answers, “I do so promise.”

The installing officer then says, “I hereby declare you elected to membership in the Gyro Club of (name of club).”

After the ceremonies are completed, members form a welcoming line to congratulate the new member with a handshake.

The singing of “Hello Gyro” or “Cheerio” or “Gyro Friends” would be a heart warming tribute for the occasion.