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Jay moved to Hoag. (Thank you God!) Sunda released Friday

Gary out! Jay Still in.

Sometimes it's hard to do this newsletter. This is the Holiday season and normally we talk of Angel Trees, Turkeys, canned food and have a little fun. But life goes on and with it, comes the not so good with the good. Both **Jay** and **Gary** were admitted to the hospital last week, and while **Gary** was released Friday **Jay** remains. Over the years' **Gary** and **Jay** have become a big part of my life. **Gary**, who is always there for you, along with his "craving to be mentioned in the newsletter, whether real or fun, I can turn to whenever I run out of words before I run out of paper, and **Jay** whose generosity is overwhelming, and whose friendship is coveted by many. Two real people who I consider my good friends, as many of you are. Their friendship tells me: "How bad can I be, if these people are friends of mine?" Eleanor reports that **Jay** has finally been moved to a real hospital. He was in the hospital because of a procedure that his doctor had done many times, and became serious only because he fell out of bed. He is starting to walk again, but bulging discs pressing on his spine have caused long term concern, and he is being evaluated to see if an operation would be feasible. **Gary** went in with a rapid heartbeat, and heart function at 50%. He has now been released. His Doctor suggested that smoking and cocktails not be part of his life. Do you get the feeling that Sharon may do more than suggest? Consider it **Gary**, I know you like to see your name mentioned in the newsletter, but this is silly!



OK Jay, hurry back we miss you.

Canned Goods and Angel Trees due this week!

Don't forget to bring your six cans, jars or packaged goods to this meeting. They are due. Also the **Angel Trees** were taken and all must be returned or that child will not get anything. **Tom E. Jack**, and **Marge** all thank you.

Main, Hansen, and Singer show Christmas Spirit

Once again **Main, Hansen**, and **Singer**, have taken the money that they normally spend on **Christmas Cards** and donated it to **Kiwanisland Endowment Fund** instead. So when you don't get a card from those guys, remember that's a good thing. When making a donation, it is always good to remember the endowment fund. It provides a tax deduction too. So give it some thought.

Don't be a Turkey! Donate one instead! December 22 (yes) Meeting 4-7 PM!

The **Turkey** shoot will be held on December 22, at the park. Round Table meeting. Cocktails and Hors De oeuvres, will be served from 4-7, there will be no meal. We would assume that if you come you will bring a Turkey, or Main may just pour your cocktail similar to a shampoo! Bob wanted me to send a flyer and it just didn't work out so please come through. Forty have been promised and the morning club has promised their share. Come through for those who can only find a meal at a Church on **Christmas** and remember how lucky we are.

Grand Jury Taking Applications! Club 33 March 6th!

Shelly announced that this is the last Club 33 Breakfast at Disneyland, because it's time. A limited amount of tickets available, don't be shut out. Please get them soon so I don't have to write this each week! As my wife says "It's always about you isn't it?" Also the Grand Jury is taking applications for next year and it's a great experience. Tom Elliott agrees. Give it thought. Your County needs you!

E.P.A. is coming to town!

Mark Richman of the **Environmental Protection Agency** will be with us **Thursday**. **Carter** suggests that since we have been sited for something we most likely couldn't have done, it might be nice to have a large group of "positive" folks in attendance for our new found friend **Mark**. And you know how **Peter** whines when he doesn't get his way. So please show up and bring your smile.

Happy/Sads not too happy

Since many of us found out about **Jay** and **Gary** for the first time, there were lots of Sad dollars for both. **Newkirk, Wallin, Charles, Scott, Guest Mark Rosen, Malm, Main, Hodges, Kelly, Leeb, Carter, Andreoff, Charles, Margolin, T. Elliott (optimistic dollars) Tony L. 5.00 each**, in addition **Charles Kim** granddaughter fell from carriage, but is recovering after a scare, **Broadwater**, (probably should still call him **Mayor** till next issue.) won the jackpot and donated five each for **Gary** and **Jay**, his Airplane landed safely, and soon to be retired. **Hodges** night traffic school (?) **Tom E. Happy**, and President **Jon**, got his very own refrigerator for his very own apartment.

Mark Rosen fills in for Time Warner

Newly re-elected **Councilman Mark Rosen** graciously filled in for **Time Warner** which had to postpone. **Mark** had researched the local elections and was really not surprised about the results. The heavily ethnic areas voted heavily for ethnic candidates, probably more for name rather than substance. How else could you explain Mr. Tran receiving 7500 votes and living in Irvine but explaining it by saying he lives with his Grandparents in Garden Grove on the weekends? I have a feeling that if he got about 500 more votes and finished 3rd instead of 4th. The demand for the 3rd place finisher to automatically be named to fill the vacancy when Dalton became Mayor, would have been far less than it is. The folks on **Gilbert** who conveniently forgot all the support they received from **Councilman Rosen** and put up not one, not two, but three people to run against him, were not a factor, and that issue was forgotten as soon as it ended. There is an opportunity to appoint someone within thirty days, and **Mark** said that there was someone in mind, but I refuse to put my jinx on him by publishing the name. It was good to see Mark and if you care about Garden Grove, you missed a good program.

Coming Soon

December 16, Mark Richman E.P. A.

December 22, Turkey shoot Round Table 4-7 PM. Bring your turkey ready to go, no stuffing.

December 30, Belated ladies night Christmas Party.

Thought For the Week

We are here on Earth to do good to others. What the others are here for, I haven't the faintest idea.