



Ramblings

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Out with the old and in with the new...

Kiwanis Club Inauguration Gala

The **Clubhouse** was decorated up for tonight's special Inaugural event (Thanks to **Monnie Howard!**) and the members and their guests were treated to warm fellowship, cool liquid refreshments and tasty appetizers. The **Park** itself was full of activity as it was being set up for the annual **Boys and Girls Club Wine Festival** that would be occurring on Saturday. Out going **President Craig** was walking around with his arm in a sling and those in attendance were wondering if it was because he had been jumping with joy at his term being over. But it turns out that he had injured his shoulder in a freak high jinks related activity while at work and it was not related to the ending of his term. So his sympathy level took a hit upon learning that news. Incoming **President Tom** had his daughter **Terri Martinez** with him to help celebrate the evening and was looking a bit nervous as he contemplated what was about to be bestowed upon him. Those in attendance tonight to help commemorate this big event were: **Craig and Monnie Howard; Tom Petrosine** and his daughter **Terri Martinez; Bob and Lennie Main** (who just celebrated their 58th wedding anniversary this week); **R. C. Gall and Marilyn; Jay and Eleanor Mastroianni; Shelly and Carol Singer; Jack Wallin and Marge; Peter and Suki Carter; Jerry and Becky Kelly; Tom and Pat Elliot; Gary and Sharon Sunda; Don and Terri Schlensker; Will and Rosa Swanstrom; Don and Gail Nielsen; Don and Joan Malm; Gerry and Marlene Newkirk; Scott and Susan McIlvain; Charles and Mok Kim; Bruce and Peggy Broadwater; Walt and Dianne Donovan; Efrain Davalos; Robin Marcario; Loralei Howard and John Cannon.**



Craig is now the past and Tom is now the present!

Still **President Craig** had a few announcement this evening. He mentioned that he finally heard back from the **City of Placentia** that our **Club** was accepted to set up our **Corn Booth** at their "Heritage Day" event on Oct. 11th and sell corn. This is a one day (six hour) event that we can do as a quick **Club** fundraiser. So he will be looking for a few good men (and women) to help set up and man the booth in order to "get-er-done".

Craig also thanked his officers (**Tom P., Efrain D. and Tom E.**) for their hard work this past year and also thanked his wife **Monnie** for her assistance in decorating for special events, **Corn Booth** assistance and putting up with him this past year while he performed his Presidential duties.

Program

Our special guest this evening not only presided over the deinstallation and installation ceremonies but also provided us with a "mini program" this evening. The **Honorable John Cannon** is a former **Garden Grove City Councilman** (1978 - 1980) and **City Mayor** (1980 - 1987). **John** received his law degree in 1971 from Southwestern University, was prosecutor in Long Beach and a private practice lawyer for many years. He was appointed a Municipal Court judge in 1987 and served on the **Orange County Superior Court** from 1989 until his retirement in 2007. During his time on the bench, he served as Supervising Judge for the Family Law Court and in the Civil Complex Division. He now works for JAMS (Judicial Arbitration Mediation Services), a non-profit arbitration and mediation company. **John** shared with us several stories about some of his past cases and rulings.

He then thanked **President Craig** and his officers for their past year of service and de-installed them. Next he called up **Tom Petrosine** and the incoming Officers (**Will Swanstrom, Efrain Davalos and Robin Marcario**), had them each take an oath of office and then declared them installed.

Tom's first official act as **Club President** was to thank **Craig H.** and **Tom E.** for their service for the past year. His second official act was to announce that he will be gone for several weeks in October and that **Will S.** would be in charge! He then tried to adjourn the evening before the drawing. Upon being gently reminded by most of the crowd, he then conducted the weekly drawing. The second ticket drawn was **Lennie Main's**, who then drew the blue chip and won the pot. **Bob** told her congratulations, that was her **Anniversary** present!

Upcoming Events

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| Oct 11th | Kiwanis Corn Booth Fundraiser at Placentia's Heritage Day Event |
| Oct 18th | "Ray Beaudoin Memorial Drawing" to benefit KiwanisLand |

Thought For The Week

"Nearly all men can stand adversity, but if you want to test a man's character, give him power." ~ Abraham Lincoln

Gerry Newkirk