



Ramblings

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GARDEN GROVE KIWANIS RAMBLINGS, PUBLISHED WEEKLY

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One down, Fifty-one more to go...

First Official Tom P. Kiwanis Club Meeting

President **Tom Petrosine's** first full meeting as president of the **Garden Grove Kiwanis Club** was well attended and there were even a gaggle of extra people in attendance to witness this grand event. **Gary Sunda** brought his brother **John**, who was down visiting from **Oakhurst, CA**, along as a witness. **Ed Hodges** brought two of his contractor pals (**John Pham** and **Tom Pham**) to the meeting to not only see the **Park** but to also experience **Tom's** majestic leadership abilities. Also, **Jessica Duong** was visiting the **Club** and ended up being coaxed into being our "mini" Program for the evening, thanks to **Tom's** commanding powers of persuasion.



Tom P. 's first meeting went fairly smooth!

Announcements

Jerry Kelly took the podium to remind the **Club** about our "**Ray Beaudoin Memorial Drawing**" that is fast approaching on Oct. 16th. He spoke about how this was an important event to help raise funds for our beautiful **Park** and that how this was started by **Bob Main** based on a similar event that they held at **The Tuna Club** on **Catalina Island**. **Jerry** said that he has about 25 tickets left and asked that each **Club** member make sure they have at least one ticket for themselves and be sure to tell family, friends, associates and co-workers about this unique way to help support **KiwanisLand** and potentially become the big winner. We have less than two weeks left to ensure a sellout and make this a successful fundraiser.

Immediate Past President Craig Howard talked about the **Placentia Heritage Day** event on Oct. 11th where our **Club** was wanting to set up a simplified version of our **Corn Booth** to sell corn as a quick **Club** fundraiser. This one day (six hour) occasion seemed like a quick, low hassle event that we could do. However, when the sign-up sheet that **Craig** passed around came back totally blank, it seems that we may not be able to pull together enough volunteers to be able to staff the booth. Most of those in attendance professed to "not being available" that particular day. At this point, **Craig** is re-thinking on whether we will still try to hold the event or have to cancel.

President Tom announced that **John Leeb** had been in contact with the **Bolsa Grande High School Key Club** nad that we will be hosting their **Inauguration Dinner** on Thursday, Oct. 30th here in the **Clubhouse**. Our **Club** will have a hamburger barbeque for them as they officially induct their new officers for this school year.

Program

Our "mini" program this evening was **Jessica Duong**, who is with **National Fringe Benefits**, a company that offers businesses and organizations a variety of information and services. She spoke to us this evening on Identity Theft Risk Management and ways that they can help these organizations set up policies, procedures and provide training that meets the new **FTC** mandated laws that have been passed related to identity theft. Additional information can be found on the web site at ftc.gov/infosecurity or by contacting **Jessica** at ideducator@gmail.com.

Happy/Sads

- Jerry M.** - Sad \$ for news that a good friend was diagnosed with Cancer and will be starting treatments.
- Peter C.** - Happy \$ that **Craig H.** arranged the Corn Booth Fundraiser. Sad \$ no one able to help out.
- Gary S.** - Happy \$ to have his brother **John** visiting tonight. Sad \$ that no one is willing to show up for the Corn Booth.
- R.C.** - Happy \$ for the fact that he has nothing sad to report. **Efrain D.** - Happy \$ to be here with all of us tonight.
- Tom E.** - Happy \$ to be here this evening. Sad \$ that he will miss the next two weeks while traveling.
- Bob M.** - Happy \$ to see a good turn out tonight. Not sure if it is because of **Craig H.**'s last or **Tom P.**'s first.
- Bruce B.** - Sad \$ that the old president is starting to look pretty good.
- Ed H.** - Sad \$ that you can't get medical marijuana in **Garden Grove** anymore. Happy \$ he has two friends here tonight.
- Walt D.** - Sad \$ he will miss next week while on a cruise. Happy \$ for **Craig H.**'s efforts and for **Oregon** to beat **USC**.
- Brent H.** - Sad \$ due to not sure if he can be there for the Corn Booth Fundraiser that **Craig H.** set up.
- Jack W.** - Happy \$ that **USC** will be victorious this weekend.
- Robin M.** - Happy \$ that she has a new respect for **Tom E.** and the job that he did as Treasurer now that she is doing it.
- Will S.** - Happy \$100 that he did well in **Las Vegas** last weekend and was able to bring some home
- Jerry K.** - Happy \$ for upcoming **Craig** and **Monnie H.**'s **25th Wedding Anniversary** celebration event.
- Gerry N.** - Hopeful \$ that the **Club** will sell out all of the **R. Beaudoin Memorial** tickets and that the Corn Booth Fundraiser happens and does well. Happy \$ to see good turnout tonight.
- Craig H.** - Happy \$ for celebrating 25 years of marriage. Happy \$ hopes that we can get people to help with Corn Booth.
- Tom Pham** - Happy \$ to be here and to see the **Park**. **John Pham** - Happy \$ that **Ed H.** brought him tonight.
- Tom P.** - Happy \$ for all of the work that **Craig H.** did in organizing the Corn Booth Fundraiser.

Upcoming Events

- Oct 16th Guest Speaker - **Damien Lorton** of the **Gem Theater**
- Oct 18th "Ray Beaudoin Memorial Drawing" to benefit **KiwanisLand**

Thought For The Week

"Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart."