



Ramblings

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GARDEN GROVE KIWANIS RAMBLINGS, PUBLISHED WEEKLY

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If you weren't in attendance tonight, you'll have to get someone to repeat them for you...

GG Kiwanis Club Turns into the Laugh Stop!

How do you keep a **Garden Grove Kiwanis** meeting upbeat and interesting when you don't have a Program scheduled? One way is to ask a few members if they have any good jokes to tell. That is how **President Brent** turned tonight's meeting in to a chuckle hut, a yuck-fest, a giggle-rama (a groan factory?). **Bob Main** told a joke about a military man over in **Europe** who was riding a train and looking for a place to sit. **Ed Hodges** told a joke about a dog who was on welfare. **Bruce Broadwater** told a joke about a horse who went into a bar. **Craig Howard** told a joke about a man in a bar who was drinking with **Batman** and ended up having to drive him home to the Bat-cave in the Bat-mobile (complete with impressions). **Will Swanstrom** told a joke about his last doctor's visit and how he was disrupting it.



The jokes were flying at tonight's meeting!

On a serious note, **Tom Elliott** spoke to the **Club** about a charity opportunity that he and **Pat** were supporting called "**Operation Homefront - Giving Thanks to our Heroes**". This is being run by the **Homefront America** organization (www.homefrontamerica.org) who is collecting Thanksgiving food bags that it provides to military families that have a member deployed to active duty overseas. **Tom** showed an example of a food bag that **Pat** had put together with \$15.00 of purchases from their local grocery store. She volunteered to put similar bags together for any **Club** member who wanted to donate \$15.00 for the purchase of the contents. **Tom** was swamped with **Club** members who wanted to donate to this cause. Some members asked if they could be billed for the \$15.00 and many offered up the cash on the spot to **Tom**. **Tom** said that he would provide the names of all **Club** members who donated to the food bags to the **Homefront America** organization. Thanks to **Tom** and **Pat Elliott** for volunteering their efforts on behalf of the **Club** to this worthwhile effort to assist the families of military personnel who are serving our great country.

Tom also reminded us that we will still be having our annual **Club Food Drive** this year. It will begin after the Thanksgiving holidays and each **Club** member is asked to bring in at least six cans or boxes of food. Everything that is collected will be donated to a local food bank. **Bob M.** said that the **Club's Annual Turkey Trot** event will also be occurring and he will provide more information on the event at a later date.

KiwanisLand President Gary Sunda announced that a **KiwanisLand** Board meeting would be held on Saturday morning at 8:30 am at the Clubhouse.

Happy/Sad

- Gary S.** - Happy \$ for **Gerry N.** who listens. Happy \$ that 19 years ago tonight, he, **Don S.** & **Will S.** joined the **Club**.
- Tom E.** - Happy \$ to be back from cruise. Happy \$ to all members who donated to the **Operation Homefront Baskets**.
- RC** - Happy \$ that Marilyn is feeling better.
- Efrain D.** - Happy \$ to be here tonight.
- Bob M.** - Happy \$ because he's glad he is here tonight.
- Don N.** - Happy \$ for the jokes tonight. Happy \$ because he wishes that some of them were funny.
- Jerry M.** - Sad \$ because he missed **Jack W.**'s party last week. Happy \$ because he hopes **Jack** had a Happy Birthday.
- Walt D.** - Happy \$ that **Dianne** is recuperating well from her surgery. Sad \$ that she didn't find his humor about it funny.
- Jack W.** - Happy \$ for a great birthday with his grandkids and for us celebrating with him.
- Don S.** - Happy \$ to be here. Happy \$ that that **Jack W.** had a good Birthday.
- Will S.** - Happy \$ just cause he's happy. Happy \$ to tell his joke.
- Jerry K.** - Happy \$ to be here and cause he's happy.
- Bruce B.** - Happy \$ to get to tell a joke.
- Ed H.** - Happy \$ because he is here tonight.
- Craig H.** - Happy \$ for **Jack**. Sad \$ for Dianne's surgery. Happy \$ for telling a joke.
- Gerry N.** - Happy \$ that **Gary S.**, **Don S.** and **Will S.** are still **Garden Grove Kiwanis** members.
- Brent H.** - Happy \$ for all of the **Club** members who donated to the **Operation Homefront** baskets.
- Tom P.** - Sad \$ to hear **Walt D.**'s story.

Upcoming Events

- Nov. 12 Speaker on Poseidon Desalination Project
- Nov. 19 Bruce B. will bring a Guest Speaker to talk about a Water Park in the City of Garden Grove

Thought For The Week

"A computer once beat me at chess, but it was no match for me at kick boxing."

Gerry Newlark