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# Ramblings

GARDEN GROVE KIWANIS RAMBLINGS, PUBLISHED WEEKLY

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*Romance was in the air tonight ...*

## Sweetheart's Dinner at Garden Grove Kiwanis Club

Garden Grove Kiwanians and their special guests were gathered at the **Clubhouse** for our Club's Sweetheart Valentines Dinner in order to celebrate the upcoming St. Valentine's day, enjoy a fine meal from **Jay's Catering** and to experience some good Kiwanian fellowship. Those celebrating this evening included **RC Gall** and **Marilynn Hale**; **Walt** and **Dianne Donovan**; **Ed** and **Shirley Hodges**; **Gary** and **Sharon Sunda**; **Jerry** and **Becky Kelly**; **Dick** and **Sara Lobin**; **Bruce** and **Peggy Broadwater**; **Efrain** and **Sophie Davalos**; **Don** and **Terry Schlensker**; **Will** and **Rosa Swanstrom**; **Jack** and **Marge Wallin**; **John** and **Jenn Leeb**; **Tom** and **Pat Elliott**; **Ed Beaudin** and **Susie**; **Brent** and **Saimi Hayes**; **Craig** and **Monnie Howard**; and **Gerry** and **Marlene Newkirk**.



*Our Kiwanis Club Valentine's Dinner turned out to be a sweet event!*

### Announcements

- Our Club will team next week with the **Boys and Girls Clubs of Garden Grove** to host and honor their **Youth of the Year** award winners and their families from several of their sites. Barbequers need to be at the **Clubhouse** at 5:00 pm to start off the cooking and festivities setup. The rest of the **Club** members are encouraged to come and show your support for the award winners and help celebrate their special night.
- **Sharon Sunda** announced that **CHOC Lamplighter's** is having a raffle drawing on May 5th for 4 major prizes such as a trip to **New York**. Tickets ar \$5 each or 5 for \$20. **Sharon** has ticket if interested.
- The **Miss Garden Grove Texas Hold'em Fundraising Poker Tournament** will be held on March 13th at the **Lions Club**. The entry fee for individual players is \$35 or teams of eight are \$280. Contact **Stacey** or **Jerry Margolin** to get additional information or to sign up.

### Happy/Sad

**Walt D.** - Sad \$ because he will miss **B&G Club** awards next week. Happy \$ he met **Dianne** while they were both attending school at **University of Oregon**. They were both from SoCal area. They have been married 62 years.

**RC** - Happy \$ to be here with **Marilynn**. They met after his wife passed and were introduced by **Larry Shaffer** at a **Rotary** function. They discovered they grew up in the same area in **Long Beach**. **RC** went to school with her brother.

**Sharon Sunda** - Happy \$ for all of the **CHOC Raffle** tickets bought tonight from **Club** members.

**Gary S.** - Happy \$ he met **Sharon** in **Pasadena** at a frat party. **Sharon**'s sorority was there as a joint event.

**Ed H.** - Happy \$ because he met **Shirley** at and event that her family was having. **Ed** hung out with her cousin and he had invited him to attend. He fell in love at first sight and is still madly in love today. (Hopefully still with **Shirley**).

**Efrain D.** - Happy \$ he met **Sophie** on a blind date set up by a friend. He didn't make a great first impression because he ate some food off of her plate. But she agreed to go out with him again.

**Jerry K.** - Happy \$ that he met **Becky** through a **Kiwanis Club** member at a lunch. It took 5 years to finally come together and it was the best thing that ever happened to him.

**Will S.** - Happy \$ to met **Rosa** in High School. She invited him to a Backwards Dance (like a Sadie Hawkins dance).

**Don S.** - Happy \$ to that **Barker School** was named the #2 top elementary school in **O.C. (Terry** is School Secretary). Happy \$ he met **Terry** when she was his brother's friend. They met again at a party and have been together since.

**John L.** - Happy \$ he met **Jenn** at a Teaching Conference at **UCI** in 1995. Another teacher had her eye on him but **Jenn** won out. He knew it was true love when she threw up in his truck after a date.

**Ed B.** - Happy \$ that he met **Susie** at a party where he was bartending. She thought he was trying to serve her daughter.

**Jack W.** - Happy \$ he met **Marge** 32 years ago at a party and he asked her out to dinner. They have been together since.

**Tom E.** - Happy \$ he met **Pat** on a blind date to **Disneyland** in 1957 when she was going to **Chapman College**.

**Brent H.** - Happy \$ he met **Saimi** by being introduced by coworkers at the City. Been together since and got married at **KiwanisLand** in 2005.

**Craig H.** - Happy \$ he met **Monnie** in High School where she was friends with his brother. They dated once she graduated and got married a few years later.

**Gerry N.** - Happy \$ he met **Marlene** in High School on an arranged date. They started dating & have been together since.

### Upcoming Events

**Feb 18th**      **Garden Grove Boys and Girls Club Youth of the Year Awards Ceremony**

**Feb 25th**      **Scott Malone from Poseidon Resources to speak on their water desalination project**

### Thought For The Week

*"Love puts the fun in together, the sad in apart, and most importantly, the joy in a heart."*

*Gerry Newkirk*