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Ramblings

GARDEN GROVE KIWANIS RAMBLINGS, PUBLISHED WEEKLY

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We had a lot of Garden Grove Kiwanians missing tonight. Where was everyone?

Not Many in Attendance for GG Kiwanis Meeting

The **Garden Grove Kiwanis Club** meeting was pretty sparsely attended this evening. While we did have **President Brent** back with us from his trip “down under”, we were missing a lot of our members tonight. Those in attendance managed to carry on and have a great meeting and enjoy the normal **Kiwanian** camaraderie. But it makes you wonder where everyone else might have been and what was keeping them from being here enjoying all of the fun and excitement with us?



Tonight's Garden Grove Kiwanis meeting was practically deserted. We seemed to be missing quite a few members!

Announcements

- We had a work party at **KiwanisLand** last Saturday morning and many thanks to **RC Gall, Craig Howard, Jack Wallin, Brent Hayes, Walt Donovan** and **Gerry Newkirk** for showing up and getting the building roofs cleared off at the **Park**. We will be having another work party at the **Park** sometime in February to get the screens over the amphitheater back up. The wild weather we had in December brought some of them down. **Club** members will be informed of the exact date at upcoming meetings.
- We will be holding our next **Kiwanis Club** meeting (on February 3rd) at **Jay Mastroianni's** house in order for **Club** members to visit with **Jay**. He has not been able to get out of the house much lately and he offered up his place for us to come over and have dinner and visit for a bit so he could see everyone. So meet at the **Mastroianni** residence at 11821 Woodward Cir., Garden Grove, CA 92840 (closest cross streets are Chapman & Euclid) at 6:30 pm for dinner and a visit with **Jay**, along with a quick meeting.
- Our **Club** will be hosting the **Garden Grove Boys and Girls Club Youth of the Year Awards** on Feb. 17th at **KiwanisLand**. Also, we will be having our **Valentine's Celebration Dinner** on Feb. 10th. That night will be an “invite your favorite sweetheart” event (aka a **Ladies Night**), so mark your calendar and be sure to attend the festivities!
- A few members of the **Bolsa Grande High School Key Club** came by for a visit and to tell our **Club** what they have been up to lately. **Club President Stacey Nguyen, Vice President Dominique Tran** and **Spirit Chairman Donald Truong** joined us for dinner and then told those gathered that they have been busy with volunteering at several food banks and working at the basketball games snack bar. They will be attending the **Key Club Div. 4 Enclave** this weekend and also will be working at the **Tet Festival**.

Program

Tonight's Program was **Zoot Velasco**, Executive Director of the **Muckenthaler Cultural Center** in **Fullerton**. Yes, that is his real name! He was previously a dancer and performer and did a lot of routines in a zoot suit. **Zoot** was at first a nickname, but he had his name legally changed in 1986. The **Muckenthaler Cultural Center** is the former estate of **Walter** and **Adella Muckenthaler** of **Fullerton**. The 18-room villa sits on 8.5 acres top of a hill in **Fullerton** and was built in 1924. The house and land was donated to the city in 1965 by **Harold Muckenthaler**. He wanted to see his childhood home used as a cultural center for the public to enjoy. In 1999, the **Muckenthaler Cultural Center** was designated a Historical Landmark by the National Register of Historic Places. **Zoot** tells us the Center is used for extraordinary exhibitions, performances and educational programs for the **Orange County** community.

Happy/Sad

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| RC – Happy \$ for the Program tonight and for Jerry Kelly's joke. | Walt D. – Happy \$ for the Program tonight. |
| Ed H. – Happy \$ for the good Program we had tonight. | Jerry M. – Happy \$ to be back and to see everyone. |
| Bruce B. – Happy \$ to be here this evening. | Tom P. – Happy \$ for the Program tonight. |
| Jerry K. – Happy \$ to tell a joke about his grand daughter and his wife's dog. | |
| Jack W. – Happy \$ that the Club is donating to his son Steve's Club event in Colorado . | |
| Craig H. – Sad \$ that their dog GiGi is still missing and his family is very sad. | |
| Brent H. – Happy \$ to be back home and to get to come to the meeting. Happy \$ for the Program tonight. | |
| Gerry N. – Sad \$ missed last week and didn't see Chief Raney's Program. Sad \$ for the Howard's missing dog, | |

Upcoming Events

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| Feb 3 rd | Meeting to be held at the Mastroianni Residence |
| Feb 10 th | Sweetheart's Valentines Celebration Dinner Event |
| Feb 17 th | GG Kiwanis and GG Boys & Girls Club Youth of the Year Awards at KiwanisLand |

Thought for the Week

Learn from the mistakes of others. You can't live long enough to make them all yourself.

Gerry Newkirk