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President Brent was back at the helm for tonight's **Garden Grove Kiwanis Club** meeting. We had a better crowd than last week, but there were still a few members that were out again this evening. **Gary Sunda**, who stepped up last week to take control of the meeting, was out and entertaining some out of town guests.



As all our Club Members already know, Kiwanisland is a Winner!

Announcements

- **Jack Wallin's** grand daughter lives and teaches English in **Japan** and was actually there during the earthquake and the tsunami. She is currently here in the **United States** with her husband and they are collecting supplies and donations to help out the people in the village that they live in who were affected by the earthquake and tsunami. **Jack** took a collection at tonight's meeting to give to his grand daughter towards their efforts. The **Club** donated \$200 and the members present tonight donated another \$235. His grand daughter and her husband are still in the **States**, but out of the **Garden Grove** area and **Jack** is going to try and have them come visit and talk to the **Club** when they get back in town. Their house is now in the area that is affected by the damaged nuclear power plant and **Jack** doesn't know when they will be able to go back to it. **Jack** says they told him that they lost several friends and alot of the people that they know are completely wiped out and homeless now.
- **President Brent** announced that Thursday, April 28th will be our **Club's Easter Dinner Celebration** night. This will be a "bring your favorite Easter Bunny's Helper" event (a.k.a. "a Ladies Night"), so mark your calendar and be sure to ask your favorite person to come and share the fun and festivities with us.
- The morning **Kiwanis Club** will again be having their "**Day at the Races**" event at **Hollywood Park** on June 11th. This is a fun filled day that includes parking, admission, reserved seating, and brunch. We will be getting more information and I am sure a visit by **Morning Club** member **Jack Stepanovich**, so mark your calendars and stay tuned.
- **President Brent** reported that **KiwanisLand** overwhelmingly won the **City of Garden Grove Beautification Award 2011 - Small Business Class**. The award will be presented May 16 at the **Garden Grove Community Center**. He will get more information as the award date gets closer, but congratulated **Jack Wallin** for all his hard work for making the **Park** look great

Happy/Sad

- Tom E.** – Happy \$40 for winning the 50/50 drawing the other night at the meeting.
- RC** – Happy \$ for the great job **Jack W.** did painting the benches here at **KiwanisLand**.
- Jerry K.** – Sad \$ to have to leave the meeting early tonight.
- Efrain D.** – Happy \$ for the great job **Jack W.** does in taking care of the **Park**.
- Ed H.** – Happy \$ for **Efrain D.** loaning him a dollar tonight and for **KiwanisLand** winning.
- Don N.** – Happy \$ for seeing all of the people at the meeting tonight. Big turn around from last week's meeting.
- Walt D.** – Happy \$ for **Jack W.** and for **KiwanisLand** to win the award.
- Jack W.** – Happy \$ for everyone and for **Club** donating to his grand daughter's collection for people in **Japan**.
- Don S.** – Happy \$ for **Jack W.** and all of his work at the **Park** in order to get a **KiwanisLand** win.
- Will S.** – Happy \$ for **KiwanisLand** winning and for **Jack W.** and all of his hard work.
- Tony L.** – Happy \$ for the **Park** winning the award. Happy \$ for **Jack W.** collecting for the people in **Japan**.
- Tom P.** – Happy \$ to be here tonight and to see everyone.
- Craig H.** - Happy \$ for **Jack W.** collecting and for the award that **Park** won. Happy \$ that **Jack** is happy.
- Brent H.** – Happy \$ for **KiwanisLand** and **Jack** winning award. Happy \$ to see **Tony L.** back with us at.
- Gerry N.** – Happy \$ for great job **Jack & Marge** did getting people to vote for **KiwanisLand** in City's contest.

Thought for the Week

"You know your children have grown up when they stop asking you where they came from and refuse to tell you where they are going."

Gerry Newkirk