



# Ramblings

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*Another potential Corn Booth Worker!*

## Garden Grove Kiwanians in (or will be in) the Hospital

As members of the **Garden Grove Kiwanis Club** arrived for social hour and the meeting tonight, there was a familiar face missing. Stalwart member **Bob Main** was not in his usual spot holding court at center round table with his "martini glass shaped" gavel. It was announced that **Bob** had been admitted to the hospital because he was feeling poorly and was having a battery of tests performed. Those in the know said that he was doing better and hopefully would be back home soon and back at his usual spot on Thursday nights. It was also announced that **Jack Wallin**, who has lately been walking with an even more pronounced limp, would be entering the hospital next week to have surgery on his good leg. He has to have his knee re-replaced after damaging it during a recent slip and fall. **Jack** will be out of commission for several weeks and there was much bantering and calls for additional things to be surgically added while **Jack** was on the table. Everyone wished **Bob** and **Jack** well and hoped to see them back soon!



*Hospitals are getting some Garden Grove Kiwanian visitors.*

### Announcements

**President Nielsen** announced that that we will be having a **St. Patrick's Dinner Ladies Night** at **KiwanisLand** on Mar. 15th and a sign-up sheet for the event will be sent around next week so we can get an accurate head count of those planning to attend. **President Don** will have green party hats that you will be required to wear if you or your guest are not wearing green that evening. The following Thursday, March 22nd will be our annual **Boys and Girls Club "Youth of the Year"** awards night where we honor the outstanding youth in our community. **Will S.**'s famous burgers will be on the menu that night as we serve the award winners and their families dinner and express our pride in their accomplishment.

### Happy/Sad

**Gerry N.** - Happy \$ for **Lauren Howard (Miss Garden Grove 2006)** winning the **Miss Placentia** contest and now being able to go on to the **Miss California** contest again.

**Jerry K.** - Happy \$ because he is going to Nevada to watch **Rick G.** race (and it isn't at a horse track!). Also Happy \$ because **Jon Cannon** bought a couple of Quarter horses.

**Gary S.** - Sad \$ because **Mark Rosen** removed him off of the **OCTA Citizen Advisory Committee** because he wouldn't put one of his political signs in his yard and didn't have the guts to call him himself, but had a secretary do it.

All of the rest of the Happy/Sad's this evening were donations for well wishes and a speedy recovery for **Bob Main** and **Jack Wallin** and for **Judge Cannon** being here tonight. These include: **Peter C.; R.C.; Gary S.; Gerry N.; Walt D.; Efrain D.; Ed H.; Peter Cho; Charles P.; Bruce B.; Tom P.; Brent H.; Shelly S.; Jerry M.; Don N.**

### Program

**Judge Jonathon Cannon** was our speaker this evening. He was a **Garden Grove City Councilman** from 1978 - 1980 and **Garden Grove Mayor** from 1980-87. He is currently an **Orange County Superior Court Judge** in the Civil Complex Division. What is a "Complex Case" you might ask? Well **Jon** says a "complex case" is a civil action that requires exceptional judicial management to avoid placing unnecessary burdens on the court or the litigants and to expedite the case, keep costs reasonable, and promote effective decision making by the court, the parties and counsel. In plain English, that means it is big cases that would normally take a very long time to try (possibly over a couple years). These might include cases like antitrust or trade regulation claims, class action lawsuits, construction defect claims involving many parties or structures, etc. The judges in this division are the senior ones who know how to move cases along and not let them get bogged down and tie up the courts time and resources. **Judge Cannon** has also served in the Family Law division and was the supervising judge there for eight years. He will be retiring in six weeks after nearly 20 years on the bench (and 15 years as a lawyer before that) to become a mediator for an Arbitration company. **Judge Cannon** has been in the news lately for his recent dismissal of a bias claim where a man claimed an **Angels Baseball** Mother's Day giveaway for women discriminated against him and other men. **Judge Cannon** ruled in a summary judgment that the tote bag giveaway was not discriminatory against men and that the "Family Sunday" event in 2005 was a way to honor mothers. **Judge Cannon** also told the members about a case in his Family Law days in which he ruled that a man was the father of a child even when there was DNA evidence that showed that he was not. The case was upheld because **Judge Cannon** was able to suppress the DNA testing from being introduced.

### Coming Soon

- Feb. 22 **Webster Guillory - Assessor Orange County**
- Mar. 1 **Chuck Smith Former Supervisor 1st District**
- Mar. 8 **Darlene Bloom Clerk of the Board of Supervisors**
- Mar. 15 **Dan Doud, "Cancer Today"**
- Mar. 22 **GG Boys and Girls Club Awards Night**

### Thought For The Week

*"The man who says he is willing to meet you halfway is usually a poor judge of distance." ~ Anonymous*