



# Ramblings

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*Good to see Jay M. and Jerry K. back with us.*

## First Kiwanians Club Meeting of 2009!

The first **Kiwanians Club** meeting of the new year was a little lightly attended. Was it due to people still recovering from the holidays, the fact that the **BCS Championship Bowl** football game was being played between **Florida** and **Oklahoma** or due to **President Tom Petrosine's** reign? No one was sure, but **President Tom** and those of us assembled managed to carry on. **Jay Mastroianni** was back with us this evening and looking well and rested and looking forward to the new year after his recent health events. After our patriotic flag salute, rousing song and thankful blessing, **Tom P.** gracefully and harmoniously allowed the football game to remain on while we had our dinner.



*Happy New Year  
to all GG Kiwanis  
Members and  
their families!*

Once our meal was complete, **President Tom** took to the podium and gave us a few announcements:

- We will be having a speaker on Jan. 22nd, **Larry Dick**, Director for the **Municipal Water District of Orange County** will be here to speak with us.
- **Jay and Eleanor Mastroianni** will be saluted by the **Cypress College Foundation** as **Garden Grove's Citizens of the Year** on Feb. 28th at the **Disneyland Hotel Grand Ballroom**.
- **Gary and Sharon Sunda** will be honored by the **Garden Grove Chamber** for their community service on Mar. 14th at the **Marriott Suites Hotel**.
- The Annual **KiwanisLand Pancake Breakfast** will be headed up by **Chairman Efrain Davalos** and the date has been set for the morning of Sunday, April 5th at **KiwanisLand**. **Efrain** will be looking for help from members and more information will be forthcoming.
- Feb. 12th will be our **Club's Sweetheart Valentines Dinner**. This will be a gala event where members will bring their significant others and a sign-up sheet will be sent around at future meetings.
- Feb. 19th will be our annual **Garden Grove Boys and Girls Club** awards night where our **Club** honors the Youth of the Year award winners at the different club locations.
- Happy Birthday to Club members with January dates of birth: **Gerry Andreoff** (Jan. 9th); **Rick Gutierrez** (Jan. 10th); **Don Nielsen** (Jan. 15th); and **Tom Petrosine** (Jan. 17th)

Mother Nature wholeheartedly agreed with these announcements as she rattled the **Clubhouse** windows with her approval with an earthquake during our meeting. Some members felt it and commented while some members were unaware that it had happened.

### Happy/Sad

- Walt D.** - Sad \$ because there was a picture in the newspaper of a bank robber that looked just like him.  
**Don N.** - Happy \$ for the free ride from the earthquake that we just had. Better than Disneyland (and cheaper too) .  
**R.C.** - Happy \$ that he got to have dinner and sit at the table with a bank robber tonight.  
**Gary S.** - Sad \$ for **Don Randall**, of **Randall Amps & of Fender Musical Instruments**) passed. He was an ex-boss.  
**Jerry K.** - Happy \$ that 2008 is finally over and that 2009 will be a better (and healthier year).  
**Will S.** - Happy \$ for having a good Christmas and New Years with his family.  
**Tom E.** - Happy \$ to be with everyone this evening and to have a good New Year.  
**Gerry N.** - Happy \$ to wish everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year.  
**Ed H.** - Happy \$ to wish everyone a happy 2009.  
**Robin M.** - Happy \$ for **Amy K.** here tonight. Happy \$ for having a good holiday with her family.  
**Shelly S.** - Happy \$ to see **Jay M.** here tonight and looking well.  
**Jay M.** - Happy \$100 to be back with us and feeling better and to thank everyone for their thoughts and well wishes.  
**Amy Koshinski** - Happy \$ to be 2nd woman to join our **Club** and to wish everyone a happy New Year.  
**Efrain D.** - Happy \$ to be here tonight and to wish everyone a happy 2009.  
**Tom P.** - Embarrassed \$ that he couldn't give apron and pin to **Amy** tonight and Happy \$ for good time in **San Francisco**.

### Upcoming Events

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| <b>Jan. 22nd</b> | <b>Speaker will be Larry Dick, O.C. Municipal Water District Board member</b> |
| <b>Feb. 12th</b> | <b>Valentine Sweethearts Dinner, "Significant Other's" Night</b>              |
| <b>Feb. 19th</b> | <b>Garden Grove Boys &amp; Girls Club Awards Night at KiwanisLand</b>         |
| <b>Apr. 5th</b>  | <b>Garden Grove Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast at KiwanisLand</b>                  |

### Thought For The Week

*"May all your troubles last as long as your New Year's resolutions."*

*Gerry Newlark*