



# Ramblings

GARDEN GROVE KIWANIS RAMBLINGS, PUBLISHED WEEKLY

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## Happy first day of Rocktober.....

Another good turnout for tonight's meeting – 18 angry anglers. Heck, even **Jay Mastroianni** showed up which makes it that much more special. When we arrived, we knew we were in for a world class world tour from our own Globetrotter **Tom Elliott**. The room glowed blue as **Tom** and **Don N.** fought to get away from the projector's default blue screen of nothingness and get the slide show up for the evening's program, Enter **Craig H.** to once again save the day and find the right button to push (hooray!!). But that was just the prequel to what was in store. You can never tell what shenanigans he got into while he was acting as the unofficial ambassador of **Kiwanis International** and the USA.

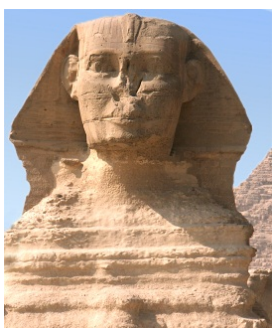
But come 7:00, **President Brent** manhandled the gavel and struck the bell not a second too late. The night began with **Tom E.** leading the pledge (was it because **Tom** was the program or is **Tom Brent's** favorite?? hmmm). **RC** attempted to lead the **Kiwanisland Ah-Crapella Choir** in a patriotic tune, and **Jerry K** was too busy on the phone to address our Heavenly Father so assistant Right-Reverend **Bruce B** blessed the evening (and guess who was done with the phone call right when **Bruce** finished with the A-men??). Because **Tom E.** is **Brent's** favorite, his table got to go first and attack the Chicken Cacciatore from **Jay's**... Yummy



### Announcements:

- **Acacia Adult Day Care Center** is hosting a dinner Oct 24<sup>th</sup> with a speaker unbeknownst to this author (sorry). Tickets are \$75 each or \$600 for a 8- table. but I hear it's a good program. **Brent** has ticket info hidden in the podium.
- **Ed Hodges** spoke for the **Lion's Club Golf Tournament** Oct 9<sup>th</sup> at GG's very own **Willowick Golf Course** ( I heard a guy was struck by lighting there)
- If that ain't enough golf for you in one week, The Shriners are having their shot-gun wedding...I mean shot gun start golf tourney on Oct 7<sup>th</sup> (\$150). Instead of golf carts, they use their little go-carts. It is kind of annoying when they get to the green and they start driving their carts in circles. HEY! NO CARTS ON THE GREEN!!
- **Lt Gov Jim Laub** (no, not **John Leeb**) is coming to a meeting soooooon. Mark you calendars.
- **Jerry Kelly** (the guy on the phone) says he has about 5 tickets left. Well make it 6 because I couldn't sell any to my cheap pocket-protector people at work. I hope I win so I can say "IT COULD HAVE BEEN YOU!!". The evening of the drawing on Oct 10<sup>th</sup> begins around 6:30 with the drawing around 8:00. Also, remember the Poseidon Project will be coming soon and I heard they want to make it a Lady's Night.
- Anyone heard how **Amy** is with the 1st **GG Kiwanis Baby**? **Amy** - if you are out there, give us a call...or we'll call you when you are trying to nap while the baby is sleeping and the phone wakes....him?...her?...one of each? **Amy**, are you Octomom?

### And now, our feature presentation:



**Tom Elliott** went to **Egypt** and knocked the nose right off the Sphinx (I said Sphinx). He stayed at palaces fit for a King and dined at tables once reserved for the royalty that once roamed the desert. 13 hour flights and 17 days touring saw **Tom**, **Pat**, and their merry band of temple raiding tourists, ride Camels, sail the Nile, even went to the Luxor Temple and asked where the slot machines were. He even counted the stones that make up this one famous (I think Khafre) pyramid. How he came up with exactly 2,300,000 blocks shows that those Egyptians were heck of a designer in those days. And because they never drank the water, **Tom**

**and Pat** were able to return to the US to plan their next trip (and our future program). Thank you **Tom and Pat**.

## **Happy / Sads**

**Note from the editor:** There are a couple of blanks not only because **President Brent** was trying to break the record for the fastest Happy Sad collection, but because everyone was talking and the writer couldn't hear. So if it's blank, put in an extra \$sad next week that nobody heard you.

**RC** – blank

**Jay M-** \$Happy for a good program

**Peter C** – Something about the Choc Walk

**Don N** – blank

**Gary S** – he mumbled something

**Charles K** - blank

**Craig H** – I couldn't hear myself think

**Bruce B** – He left but left Bob M \$5 and said he had to go meet someone on Harbor Blvd

**Bob M** – see Bruce B

**Ed Ho** – Happy EH \$10 for working in Stanton crushing concrete or bothering the tenants or something

**Walt D** – \$Happy for the program (and it's not Walt Disney)

**Brent H** – \$Happy to miss next week for rehearsal dinner

**Tom P** – Happy \$2 to be the treasurer (he loves money)

**Jack W** – Happy \$1 for the program when he found the dollar

**Jerry K** – Happy \$1 because he always loves a good program

**Gerry N** – Marlene, he wasn't there

Nobody won the lit'l fidy/fidy. **RC** picked white, **Gary S.** got the second pick at white, and somebody accused all of us of putting the white ones back in the bag.

### **This Day in History:**

1918 - Lawrence of Arabia captures Damascus...kind of ironic, eh?

And a sidebar - **Capt "Sully" Sullenberger** is back in the air (he ditched the airliner in the Hudson). Watch out Canadian Geeses everywhere!!

*This is Guest editor – Craig Howard, signing off...*