



# Ramblings

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GARDEN GROVE KIWANIS RAMBLINGS, PUBLISHED WEEKLY

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*Our Garden Grove Kiwanis Club Project will help make a few kid's Holidays brighter...*

## Santa's Helpers at GG Kiwanis!

We had a couple of guests join us tonight for our meeting. **David Gutierrez** from **G Brothers Construction** and **Joe Stanely** were guests of **Ed Hodges** and spent the evening with us. We also had lots of Santa's Helpers at tonight's **Garden Grove Kiwanis Club** meeting as **Club** members brought in their gifts for our **Club's Holiday Gift Program**. Social Workers **Sally Monsoor** and **Pam Pantiru** from the **O.C. Domestic Abuse Services Unit (DASU)** were here tonight to pick up all of the gifts for the children of battered women whom the **DASU** workers assist. **Sally** and **Pam** were grateful to pick up and deliver the gifts that we were providing to the children of the families that they support. They also were very grateful to receive the food that we collected from our **Canned Food Drive** and said that all of the items will go a long way in making the children's holidays a little brighter as they go through this difficult, disruptive and confusing time in their lives.



*The Garden Grove Kiwanis Club Members come through to bring a little joy to boys and girls who are going through some tough times!*

In order to get into the right frame of mind for the holidays, this Thursday (Dec. 16th) is our **Club's Holiday Dinner Party** event. This will be a "bring your special Holiday Helper (a.k.a. a **Ladies Night**) event so bring your favorite significant other and come share a little Holiday cheer and get in the mood to celebrate the season. We will also be passing around the hat to collect for a year end gift for **Helen Rhoades**, who takes care of our **Club** every Thursday night through out the year.

Remember that the **Club's** annual **Turkey Trot** event is on Wed., December 22nd. It will go from 5 to 7 pm and **Club** members and anyone else who wishes to participate will be bringing in their cooked turkeys and partake of a little bit of holiday spirits. The **morning Kiwanis Club** will be bringing their cooked turkey's to come join us in this annual event. The cooked birds will be delivered in a turkey caravan to the **Garden Grove Methodist Church** on the 23rd and will go towards providing a hot Christmas dinner for the members of the community who are in need. This will also be our **Club** meeting for the week and we will be dark on Thursday, Dec. 23rd.

### Announcements

- The **Lamplighter Guild of CHOC** presented **KiwanisLand** with a \$300 donation for their use of the **Park** for meetings and holiday events. We also received a donation from the **Roque Center** for letting them use the **Park** for staging of their Toy Run event. And we received a \$200 donation from **Karen Elliott** (wife of past member **Jon Elliott**).
- The **Garden Grove Soroptomists Club** will be joining our **Kiwanis Club** for our meeting on Jan. 13th. They will be bringing a speaker for he Program that night.

### Happy/Sad

**Walt D.** - Happy \$ to be here and for the **Oregon Ducks** going to the **BCS Bowl**.

**Jack W.** - Happy \$ the events in the **Park** are almost over for the season.

**Tom P.** - Happy \$ to be here this evening.

**Brent H.** - Happy \$ for **Joe & David** joining us and sitting next to **Ed H.** Happy \$ for everyone to come next week.

**Will S.** - Happy \$ that he and **Craig H.** loaded all of the gifts and the food for **Sally** and **Pam**.

**Bob M.** - Happy \$ to be here tonight.

**Fred W.** - Happy \$ to be here and that **Jack W.** is happy.

**Ed H.** - Happy \$ he graduated from Bait school with a Masters Degree.

**Efrain D.** - Happy \$ to be here tonight.

**Jerry K.** - Sad \$ that he and **Becky** will be gone next week and will miss the Ladies Night event.

**Craig H.** - Happy \$ that **Ed H.** has friends. Happy \$ he solo'ed last week for his flight lessons.

**Don N.** - Happy \$ for **Ed H.**'s jokes and for the friends he brought tonight.

**Tom E.** - Happy \$ for the nice day today. Happy \$ to be here tonight. Sad \$ for the jokes.

**RC** - Happy \$ to be here tonight. Sad \$ for **Tom P.**'s hurtful remarks tonight. Sad \$ he only had a five for Happy/Sad.

**Gary S.** - Happy \$ that **Jack Wallin** has done such a good job taking care of **KiwanisLand** this year.

**Peter C.** - Happy \$ for the **Auburn Tigers** to be playing in the **BCS Bowl**.

**Joe Stanely** - Happy \$ to get to sit next to **Ed Hodges**. Sad \$ for having to sit next to **Ed Hodges**.

**Davig Gutierrez** - Happy \$ for the good meal and to get to meet everyone tonight.

**Gerry N.** - Happy \$ for being here tonight. Happy \$ that **Craig H.** solo'ed and survived.

### Thought For The Week

*"Christmas is the season when you buy this year's gifts with next year's money."*

*Gerry Newlark*