



# Ramblings

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## Presidents Corner

There is nothing like the end of school for me. It means a few weeks of frenzied work: compiled grades, cleaned out classrooms, and completed paperwork. But, oh, once it is done... sweet, blissful relief. At the next meeting I will have checked my keys back in to the front office, so there is no way for me to get back on campus. And I know I get the chance to start afresh in the Fall. That part is underestimated- even by teachers. We get the opportunity to wipe the slate clean and make all new mistakes next school year. This year (like every year) I will fill out a report on the status of my room and mention that it requires painting. Two of my walls are peeling paint badly. I had grand visions at the beginning of the year of painting it myself, but I made the mistake of mentioning it to my principal. He thought the idea was terrific as long as I could find the same color paint used forty years ago. It turned out my enthusiasm for painting dissipated the day I agreed to become a traveling teacher, each period in a different room. I had a very difficult time organizing all the stuff I like to have during a lesson so it would be portable. So I had my share of lessons that would have been perfect, if only I had my big plastic cone that I must have forgotten in my last classroom. Also, the sheer volume of papers tended to bury me this year. Normally, I use ten stacking trays at the back of my classroom, five classes in and five classes out. But this year I schlepped them all day long. By the end of the day, I looked like the homeless guy by the supermarket, leaving scraps of papers everywhere I went. All in all, it was a teaching year that was more difficult than most. But next year, it will be better. I will be better. Thank heavens teaching allows me the chance to say that. Have a good week.

John Leeb

*So we didn't do as good, but it wasn't bad, and now it's onward to Golf*

## Corn Sales weren't too hot, but weather was!

**Kelly** was the secret greeter and nabbed **Jack, Tom, and Craig**. There was grumbling, but eventually all fines were paid. (**Carter** stepped up and paid **Jack's** fine since **Jack** was busy at the bar.) **Don Beatty** drew the Queen of Spades last week and won about \$400 dollars. He promptly donated it to Kiwanisland. President **John** raffled off a couple of Angel tickets donated by member **Dick Lobin**. There was a bidding war, but **Craig H.** emerged victorious. **Monday, July 26th** is the date for the **Kiwanisland Golf Tournament at Willowick Golf Course**. **Golf Chairman Ed Hodges** is looking for Golfers and Tee sponsors and encourages all club members to get the word out. This is an important fundraiser and the proceeds go directly to the Park. Members are also reminded that they need to bring an item valued at least at \$30 for the Golf Tournament raffle. Or you can just pay the \$30 and the Golf Tournament Committee will buy prizes. **Jay Mastroianni** was honored as "Garden Grove Man of the Year" by the Chamber of Commerce at a luncheon today. Many members were in attendance and said that **Jay** gave a very moving acceptance speech and even mentioned **Kiwanis**. Way to Go **Jay!!!**



*Willowick has a reputation for narrow greens*

## Can we be fined for dumping when we have nothing to dump? Stay Tuned!

**Peter Carter** called a special **Kiwanisland Board** meeting for Sat, June 12. All Club members were also invited. They will be discussing the EPA dumping issue. Bill Ray from Loretta Sanchez's office assisted us in getting copies of the documents we requested from the EPA so that we could try and figure out what it is that we allegedly dumped. We will fill you in next week.

## Happy/Sad

**Tom P.** happy, he didn't have to shake **Kelly's** hand. **Nielsen** happy, his daughter that works for Fox TV is being transferred to work on "American Idol." **R.C.** Happy just because. **Peter C.** sad because he is worried about the EPA issue. **Gary S.** Happy for **Jay** being named as "Garden Grove Man of the Year." **Gerry N.** Happy **Soroptimist's** roast of **Mayor Broadwater** went well, happy that his niece was graduating from college this weekend, but sad because he has to go to **Bakersfield** because of it. **Scott** happy, for **Jay**, and sad for **Peter** being worried. **McGowan** Happy for **Jay's** honors and sad because he couldn't be there. **Ed H.** -Happy that this will be his last year as Golf Chairman (he said the same thing last year...) **Bob M.** happy for **Jay**, and for **Shelly's** good programs. **Jerry K.** happy for **Jay**. **Charles K.** happy for **Jay**, and also for being back home from **Italy**. He almost got pick pocketed there. **Don S.** happy for **Jay**, and for **Charles** being back. **Rick G.** sad, he just found out that a good friend has Liver Cancer. Happy to wish the friend good luck in fighting it. **Jack W.** sad that he learned that his son **Steve** has a blood clot in his body and has to have major surgery to try and remove it. **Jack** will be flying to **Colorado** this weekend to be with him. **Jay**, sad, for **Steve Wallin**. **Marjorie Lewis** happy being at **Kiwanisland**. **Shelly** happy \$ because **Marjorie** made it to **Kiwanisland**. **Jon E.** -Happy \$ for **Jay M.**, Sad \$ for **Jack's** troubles.

**Craig H.** happy, finished Traffic School, sad for **Jack's** son, Happy for **Jay**. Happy for his daughter making it into the **Miss Garden Grove Contest**. **John L.** Happy that school is out in 5 days and also for **Jay's** honors. Another happy \$ that the **Laker's** being in the playoffs are causing **Mike M.** so much grief.

## Guest Speaker

**Dr. Marjorie Lewis**, President of **Cypress Community College** since 1999 was our program. She was VP of Instruction & Student Affairs at Golden West Community College for five year's. Taught at Long Beach Community College as an English professor. She is a member of Cypress Rotary Club. Founded in 1966, Cypress College provides a quality higher education to more than 13,000 students of diverse backgrounds each semester. The college serves most of Orange County including Garden Grove. Sixty percent of CSU grads started at Community College. Community College fees have increased, were \$11/unit last year, are \$18/unit this year, will be \$26/unit next year. Governor is requesting that High School Grads go to Community College for two years and then be "re-directed" to a CSU or UC campus.

## Coming Attractions

June 17 Dr. Coronondo Rep. Candidate Fed. House  
June 24 Vicki Wilson CEO's office (Infrastructure)

## Thought for the week

If the police arrest a mime, do they tell him he has the right to remain silent?