



# Ramblings

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Joined Santa Ana P.D. turned loose with no training, and rose to the position of Chief of Police. Not just anybody can do that.

## Santa Ana Police Chief Speaks on OC Terrorism

**Paul Walters** is an unusual kind of guy. He spent years in the **Santa Ana Police Department**, and while he learned a lot from his peers, due to a lack of good training practices at that time, he was forced to virtually train himself when he joined the force. That worked well in his case, and he became Police Chief in 1997. He is also an expert in "Preparation for Terrorism in Orange County." There wasn't a sound in the room as Chief Walters told his story. As most of us believe, he too feels that another terrorist attack in the **United States** is virtually inevitable. The question then becomes not "if" but when and where. Of course in **Orange County, Disneyland** is a possible target, along with **Angel Stadium**, and other such venues. Many other cities have also been pinpointed as targets, so it doesn't have to be here. There are so many possible places, that it is also one of the problems. How do we protect ourselves? The FBI, which is responsible pretty much for Homeland Security, has less agents throughout the world than the Los Angeles Police Department has officers! A frightening statistic. So what can we do? Not much really, try and be prepared. An earthquake kit would be useful. Have an enough food and water, (One gallon per person per day) for at least 24-72 hours, have walking shoes in your car. And be aware and report suspicious things to authorities. . Have a family plan. If communications are down, which they most likely would be, have a mutual meeting place if you can get there, a flashlight, portable radio, and don't forget your pets supplies, and your medication. You could be without help for even longer than 24 hours. It might save your life. So if you are looking for me, just drop by. You will find me in a fetal position under my bed with a pillow over my head.



Kind of makes you wish for the old days when solving problems wasn't so complicated.

### Happy Dollars/Sad Dollars/ Welcome Back Jack and Bob!

The highlight of the evening was a return to service of **Bob Main and Jack Wallin**. Both appeared looking like their ordeals were almost over. Bob was somewhat encumbered by a portable oxygen tank, but we are all hoping that in a short period of time he will be able to remove the oxygen, and fill the tank with his favorite beverage so that inhaling will be a joy rather than necessity. The really good news is that the duo's return filled our coffers with many happy dollars being donated in their names. Sunda donated ten for the dynamic duo, along with contributions from **Peter C. Will S, Jerry K, Bruce B**, who included **Jerry K, Efrain D, Jerry M, Jack W**, for himself, **Bob and Shelly**. In addition we had happy donations from **Walt D, twenty for he and wife Diane celebrating their 59th Wedding Anniversary!!!! Brent M**, ten for his recent vacation, and **Jay** twenty, age prevents him from knowing why, **D. Lobin** glad to be present, **Craig H**, happy that High School Cheer Competitions are over, and **Monnie** returns to the nest, while **Jenna's** life becomes more normal, happy to return from a sales trip, but an extremely sad dollar because his mom is fighting Cancer. We wish her well. Also **Gerry N** sad, for missing last weeks meeting, **Shelly** two for missing meetings with a toe problem, also to remind us that June 13 is the **All Service Club** luncheon, here at **Kiwanisland** and last but not least our devoted President **Don N**, who just found out that his daughter has left **Fox News**, and has taken on a similar position with **IAC**.

### One short announcement

As you can tell there wasn't much business to discuss. The County donated \$50.00 to **Kiwanisland** for the use of our Clubhouse for voting booths on election day. It would have been more but it's being spent on repairing every street in the county and all at the same time. An innovation by the Traffic Division, so that those who are using the streets in 2014 will have better traffic flow.

### Scott Jordan Tustin Police Chief Our Speaker April 14th!

Former **Garden Grove Police Captain** and current **Tustin Police Chief Scott Jordan** will be our guest speaker this week. He was very popular in our city, and has a vast knowledge of Garden Grove and it's surrounding areas. I hope there will be a good turnout for him. I have a previous commitment and will be unable to attend. (I'm sure that you are all broken up about it.) He is a friend, and I wish I could be there to show respect for his prior efforts. Frankly our attendance has been poor for our speakers, and it makes it almost impossible for Shelly to provide these type of folks, since they normally speak to larger groups. If you think it's important to have this kind of guest, please make an effort to show up, if for no other reason but to support **Shelly** for his efforts.

### Coming Attractions

April 21, Sheriff Mike Corona

### Thought for the week!

A true friend is someone who will help you move. A real true friend is someone who will help you move a body.