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Ramblings

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In a moment of nostalgia, Gary Sunda takes over the reigns for an evening, and loses control right away. Their wasn't a dry eye in the house.

Newkirk Under the weather, Sunda steps in

Unfortunately **President Newkirk** was somewhat under the weather this week, and was unable to run the meeting. You know that our Prez had to be really ill to pass up an evening with all of us, as we all know how much he looks forward to our weekly sessions. He managed however, to find a highly suitable replacement by reaching back to the past, and extending an invitation to former President **Sunda**, who like **Gerry**, also was asked to step in halfway through his term as President Elect, when President **Blakesley** decided to choose love over Community, married **Lynn**, and established residency in Philadelphia. **Newkirk** was forced to do the same as Gary, (except that no one moved to Philadelphia) **Sunda** provided those who were present the first time he took over the Presidency, fond memories, by immediately losing control of the meeting, as he did the first time. He did eventually regain control however, through skilled use of both bells. (Now that our bell which disappeared late last century, reappeared suddenly a few weeks ago, along with a note explaining that we must have overlooked it sitting in the corner of the room, all this time.) Though it's returned, we have decided that our current bell will be the bell of choice, due to the love with which it was provided to us, by former longtime member **Bob "Stumpy" Watkins**, unless of course, special circumstances require the use of two bells to gain control.



.Since our budget has been rather small, these flowers are offered to Gerry, and hopes of a quick recovery.

ANNOUNCEMENTS!

We were concerned that the unscheduled absence of our Prez, would create a lack of information being provided, to the stay at homes who count on this information. Fortunately, we were wrong.

Indian Princesses make donation to Kiwanisland: Three lovely young Indian maidens, dropped in, along with their Dad's, to thank us for allowing them the use of the park for their big pow wow. (That's Indian talk) They said that they had a wonderful time, **Jack** was a wonderful host, and we were wonderful too. They also presented us with a \$400.00 check as a thank you, which for lack of a better word, was wonderful.

Peter Carter's operation a success! We were all thrilled to hear that **Peter's** neck operation went well and he's on the road to recovery. Hopefully he will be home by the time you receive this.

Lions Club to hold Pancake Breakfast at Kiwanisland: The **Lions** Pancake breakfast will soon be held at **Kiwanisland**. Tickets are only \$5.00 each. **The Lions Club** recently donated \$1000.00 to **Kiwanisland** so **Jack** has asked that we support their fundraiser. If **Newkirk** were writing this, he would most likely have the Time, Date, and names of the servers. I know it isn't this week. I believe it's early April.

All Garden Grove Service Club Luncheon May 3: **Shelly Singer** reports that the luncheon looks like a rousing success. Forty Service Organizations have signed on "and over three hundred people, and five politicians" are expected to attend. Our Speaker will be **Judge David Carter** The names, and viewing times for the five politicians will be announced at a later date.

Happy/Sad Dollars

No matter how long I put it off, I have to deal with happy and sad dollars sometime, so without any ado, (how can I operate without my ado?) here we go. There were a lot of donations wishing a successful operation for **Connie**, coming from **Shelly, Scott, Tom E, Charles, Tony Lombardi five**, and **five** from me. **Jack** happy for **Peter**, **Charles** added two for his son in law's success, and two for **Peter, Josh** sad, cat got run over, (couldn't read the rest) **Hodges**, the usual two, one for **Peter** and one for **Garrett Gutierrez**, his grandson, who hit a grand slam home run and a two run home run for his team in their baseball game, **John Leeb** for discovering his 87 year old neighbors body, **Nadine** five, found a job and something I didn't catch. **Tom P.** two for being happy. **Bruce** for our club picking up former **Mayor Walt Donovan**, but sad that **Walt's** still a Republican (it's OK **Walt**, many of us are happy about that.) **Tony L.** an additional five for missing five weeks, and fifteen for his son-in-law for being accepted into Medical School. **Tom Elliott** for missing meetings, and for **Peter's** successful operation. **Scott** happy for **Walt** and **Peter** too, **RC** happy, daughter throwing 85th birthday for him at Mile Square Park, expecting 120 people, look for invitation soon, or not at all. Along with welcoming **Josh**, and **Nadine**, and **Peter's** success. **Gary** sad for **Gerry**, **Don Schlenker** sad dollar for **Tom P.** and **Will**, fifty big ones, for winning the big drawing last week. Yeah **Will!**

Thought for the week

No one really listens to anyone else, and if you try it for a while you'll see why.