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# Rambling

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*Three more weeks for Newkirk, and the countdown continues.*

## Perennial Presidential Replacement Replaces Newkirk Again

After a tour of more than eighteen months as President, **Gerry Newkirk's** term is finally winding down. Not only is it winding down, but in recent months our President has had the audacity to take vacations, do fun things, and not serve his constituency in the manner in which it has been accustomed to. This has given **V. P. Howard** an opportunity to grow into a leadership position and become a pretty good substitute. Normally, as VP, **Craig** would be getting ready to step into **Newkirk's** role, but **Craig** wanted to wait till next year, (like the Angels) to prepare for such an important responsibility, and soon will have 12 months under the guidance of incoming **President Nielsen**. Just think, the potential could be awesome. **Craig's** birthday is September 16th, and in his honor everyone serenaded him with "**Happy Birthday**" although on reflection, that rendition might not exactly have been an honor.



The next honor for Newkirk is painfully obvious.

### Installation Dinner October 5th

Our annual Installation is set for October 5th, a Ladies Night. The Entrée will be Chicken and Salmon Tarragon, and if you want to know what Tarragon is, I'm sure many of the expert Chef's in our club will be happy to explain. I'm not one of them. It will be a buffet, and a wonderful event. As for proper attire, you have heard of "Business Casual" "Black Tie" Semi-Formal" etc., the dress for this event is "Fisherman Professional" For those who are not quite sure what that is, I suggest that you put a dead Carp around your neck, and weAR. It will be held at **Kiwanisland**. There will be a drawing for dinner for two at the Market Broiler

### Drawing set for October 28th

Once again the time comes near when you can donate to a worthy cause. **The Ray Beaudoin Memorial Drawing**, run again by the one and only **Jerry Kelly**, who almost became a campfire recently, but is recovering nicely. You can join us all at **Kiwanisland** about 6:30 PM, October 28th, laugh, chit-chat, renew old acquaintances and most likely, at 8:00 PM, go away with nothing but a pleasant evening, good hors de oeuvres, and the knowledge that you have helped a lot of kids who can't afford it, spend time camping, sitting around the campfire with their friends, and having a great time, simply because you bought a ticket or two to help the cause. Oh yes, you will also complain about who won, because "it's always won by someone who doesn't need it," but we all know that anyway.

### This Week's Other Ramblings

In other news especially for our absent readers, (If there are any) **John Leeb** reports that he is scheduling a key club barbeque for their new Officers, at the park in October. **Shelly Singer**, (in absentia, which is located just North of **Phoenix**,) asked that everyone who has not visited the **International Market Place**, drop by Historic Main Street and visit. It is really catching on, with lots of great fruits, vegetables, and who knows what else, any Sunday between 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM. **Peter Carter**, who joined **Shelly** in absentia, (I didn't know they hung around together) asked that we be reminded that the **CHOC Walk** will soon be upon us, and is looking for your pledge, or entry. **Leeb** reported that he did well at the Kiwanis Poker party, much to the chagrin of the other players, **Jon Nichols** was named to the **Boy Scout Court of Honor**, he deserves it, **Don Nielsen** implored our members to come up with any good idea for a Fund Raiser that wouldn't copy any of the others that are currently common in **Garden Grove**, **Jack Wallin** reported that the park was used last Sunday to honor two Boy Scouts who received their Eagle Scout badges approximately 500 attended, and **John Leeb** introduced us to potential new member **Mark**, who seems to know a lot of our group, or was it **Jon Nichols**?

### Cypress Club almost has Inter Club

Four members used to be needed to qualify for an Inter Club, I think it was changed to three, so Cypress did or didn't have one last Thursday, three showed up. **Brent**, **Karl**, and **Chuck Berry**, (No, he didn't sing and wasn't that one.) but there were at least four of us, who thought it was funny to ask. They all seemed happy, and **Brent** dropped ten into the "Happy to be here" pot.

### Happy/Sads are sad for me.

Last night after finishing most of my newsletter, having nothing but Happy/Sads, I went to bed, planning that this morning a brighter, me, would finish this off. When I returned this AM, my notes had disappeared. Considering it was left in the computer room, you would think I could find it, I cannot. How can it be missing you say? Ghosts? Perhaps. An anxious member who decided his comment should be sad, not happy, broke into the house stole my notes and fled? Doubtful. Wife took them, and was so proud, she decided to have them framed? Impossible. At least most of you didn't put in much money, I will provide some mention, as best I can recall.

**Bob M.** Happy Cypress is here

**Don N.** An **Ed Hodges** \$500.00 (Knowing **Ed** and **Don**, I think it was a **Hodges** \$50.00)

**Cypress Club** Happy.

**Jerry K.** Happy

**Guest Karl;** Potential member \$10.00 We're all happy

**Scott M.** Something about CHOC WALK, and a very bad joke. \$5.00 (I think)

**Jack W.** Two daughters, and his granddaughter will be with him Saturday,

**John L.** Guest **Mark** gives \$6.00 happy and food. (Was it **Jon N's** guest?)

**Tom E.** Happy seeing **Craig** and guest **Brent**.

**Josh. L** driving 200 miles back and forth to work.

**Gary S.** \$5.00 Happy to see **Brent**.

**Walt. D.** Oregon over Stanford and Fresno State.

**Craig H.** **Newkirk** at Air Show, **Leeb** in school, and **Scott's** joke. (sic)

That's the best I can do, and if you were missed, I will provide an apology the next time, and perhaps if you're kind, I will give you a free one.

### Coming Soon

Toastmasters coming soon. Nov. 16th, **Gordon Dillow** will talk about his recent experiences as an "embedded" reporter in Iraq.

### Thought For the week

The problem with having an open mind is that so many people keep trying to stick something in it.