Craig Williams Elementary

2nd Grade
   Barnett, Kelsi
   Mendoza, Taylor

5th Grade
   Abellanos, Patricia
   Ayala, Mario
   Long, Jordyn

6th Grade
   Ayala, Vanessa
   Gillon, Kiana
   Ibarra, Lupe
Dear Mayor,

I am writing you this letter to tell you about someone special. His name is Mike Sombrito. He was my soccer coach. Mike taught me how to pass the ball to my teammates. He is a really fun coach. He plays and practices with us. If we have the ball he will...
Try and steal it. Mike is nice because he would never yell at us or get mad. I think Mike is a great coach and there should be more people like him.

From Kelsi Barnett
Craig Williams School
Mrs. Sybesma Rm 14
2nd grade
I admire my parents. My mother and father bought a house for our family two years ago. They wanted us to have a good life in a nice
neighborhood with nice people. They always spend lots of time with us. My mother and father always try to register us into classes like tennis, swimming and gymnastics. We take neighborhood walks, play at the park or ride our bikes.
My parents are special people in Lakewood.
WHAT I LIKE ABOUT LAKEWOOD
Patricia R. Abellanosa
Craig Williams Elementary School
Grade 5, Room 77

Lakewood City is a very wonderful place. As you enter Lakewood from Lakewood Avenue, you will notice the tree lined streets that makes it a beautiful scenery already. It looks so fresh, warm, alive and relaxing. The shade that the trees offer gives a good impression of being so homey. It distinctively lets you know where Lakewood starts from the city of Bellflower. As you go on driving (well my dad is the one that drives), towards the Long Beach airport, Lakewood Avenue is lined up with bungalow houses that are so cute, so clean and lined with plants all around. It looks like one of the pictures taken out of a magazine.

I like going to the Lakewood Mall at Lakewood Avenue corner Del Amo Street. Everything that we need are there, including restaurants, movie theatres, and all kinds of shops. With the addition of Target, we can already do our grocery shopping, too. Across the street, we can also go to Vons and Save on and other shops and eating places. That is also where we buy and rent our DVD's and compact discs. It is so convenient that we do not have to travel so far and waste our time in traffic. Just around the corner is the library and the post office. There are also government offices and buildings just minutes away. There are many workers here that help our city be safe, clean and become a better and wonderful neighborhood to live in. These workers are the school custodians, pedestrian aides, the police officers, the firemen, teachers, librarians, street cleaners and a lot of other people that are here to help our neighborhood. They are so courteous and friendly.

I like going to the Mayfair Park with family members, or with school friends and classmates. The pool is one of my favorites. I like playing in the grounds, too. One of these days, I will join one of the sports activities. I particularly like to join their soccer team. When I watch them practice, they look like they are having a great time. My mom used to play soccer in high school, so she tells me that it is really great!

I like the City of Lakewood. If given the chance, I would like to live in and be a part of this wonderful city. It is so clean, so warm and green. I can even call it "The Green City".
Lakewood

I think Lakewood is the best city of all, let me tell you why. It is so big and has wonderful places like Mayfair Park. Also, it has neat houses. The best thing is Lakewood Mall. Allow me to tell you more about these things.

Lakewood has a very nice park which is named Mayfair Park. It has a playground for smaller kids and a playground for older kids. Also, it is very huge with green grass all over. It has three basketball courts, two baseball fields, and two tennis courts. There is always a lot of people there, so you know that a lot of people enjoy Mayfair Park, too.

Mayfair Park isn't the best thing in Lakewood because there is also very beautiful houses in Lakewood. Most of them look very nice from the outside. A lot of them have nice flowers and figures. Also some people have neat backyard with plants. Houses are so wonderful in Lakewood.

The best thing in Lakewood is Lakewood Mall. It is a very big mall with a lot of stores like Foot Locker, Macy's, Mervyn's and KB Toys. It seems like if the stores would go on forever. Also, there is delicious ice creams, smoothies, and yogurts there. Lakewood Mall is so awesome because it is the best thing in the city of Lakewood.
I am so glad I am a part of Lakewood, that I feel honored. Each little thing in Lakewood makes it be the best city of all. Without one thing of Lakewood it would never be the same. You are somebody special in Lakewood. Thanks to you the city of Lakewood is supercalifragalisticexpialidocious.
Dear Mayor Wagner,

A person I admire in Lakewood is my principal, Mrs. Bachman. She changed my life in so many ways. There was a time when she got me so much closer to my father by doing a father-daughter dance.

But there is a story to why I like her so much. It all started at Ramona Elementary in the kindergarten. She guided me through hard times and made my years at school great!

In the 4th grade, she left for Craig Williams Elementary and I got another principal. Then I went to Craig Williams and everything was excellent!

She got me involved and I am room representative. I help with decisions for the school. I am in the school musical and in something called advanced chorus that is amazingly fun. This was all because of her.

She has gave me some advice and never shows any unkindness. She has answered many of my problems. She will always do things to keep me safe and make me happy. She has set up a drive-through where adults walk their kids to their cars.

She has kept me challenged and
did too much for words. I hope that she is remembered forever.

If one thing is for sure, I care about her and will always have a place for her in my heart. She has always put a smile on my face. Mrs. Bachman’s care for me and all of my school is all I need to be happy.

Nothing would make me more happier than to see her light up when she reads this. Win or lose, I want her to be happy.

Sincerely,

Jordyn Long
5th Grade
Craig Williams
Rm: 77
10-23-03

To: Write Stuff Program
Lakewood

Have you ever seen how awesome Lakewood City is? I notice every day when I drive past the clean park. Or when I drive by downtown Lakewood and see the gigantic mall and see all those stores. I also notice when my mom doesn’t cook and we can eat at many different restaurants.

The best thing about the city of Lakewood is Mayfair Park. I think Mayfair Park is the best because of the fair in May. The fair is always very clean and well-kept which makes the fair look great. The May fair is always held on the Mother’s Day week. Plus they have food that is very delicious and games for the family to enjoy. Also if you win a game you will receive a teddy bear, a picture, etc. If you and your family go it’s a fact you will have tons of fun.

Another wonderful thing about Lakewood is the admirable Lakewood Mall. The Mall has awesome shops that you could go. If you have to buy a gift there is a big amount of stores to choose from. Also the mall is very safe (even in Halloween) because it has guards that take care of both the inside and the outside. Plus the people at the stores are very kind and respectful.

Have you ever been hungry because your mom didn’t have time to cook? If you have, you know it’s awful, that’s why you should go to one of the great restaurants in Lakewood. This great city has over what seems 100 different restaurants of your choice. All these great places are very nice, clean, and have extraordinary food. Plus, if you don’t have a lot of money the food is not very expensive. Go now and enjoy a great and delicious meal.

As you could see Lakewood city is a great place to visit or live. If you live in Lakewood or have visited Lakewood you know how great and nice it is. If you have never been to Lakewood you are definitely missing out. That’s why I invite you to come to one of these wonderful places and enjoy it. So hurry up with your family as soon as possible to have a blast in the great city of Lakewood.
The person I admire is Mike Patterson, because he is a hard working janitor at Craig Williams. You ask why I admire him, well I admire him because he does things he doesn’t have to do. For example, he bought are daycare a TV because we did not have one.

Also at the 5th and 6th grade lunch recess he goes into the cafeteria and makes sure we are in a line and not fooling around. If we do not follow the rules we have to go to the end of the line. He makes sure that we have our feet under the table and not outside where someone can trip over them.

He is also very respectful. For example when we need to get in our classrooms he never ignores us. He gets right on it. He never turns his back away. He's always there for us.

He also greets kids and teachers by saying Hello! And good morning. Or have a nice day. Also if you’re holding something heavy he asks if he can help.

Also when our teachers need to go to a meeting on the other side of the school, Mike is willing to transport them to their meeting.

Also when a kid falls down he is always there willing to help them up and he will take them up to the Health Office to make sure that they are okay.

Anytime he needs to deliver something to a classroom what ever it is he has it ready. For example when the 6th graders needed a table he delivered them to each class right away.

Also he likes to participate in school events. Close to the end of the year we have a baseball game the teachers vs. the 6th graders. He is always ready to show his support to the kids and teachers.

One morning my friends and I rewarded him with juice and pancakes
for his hard work. He is what makes our school a much better place. He is a true peace builder. We really appreciate Mike for all of his hard work and support that he gives to our school everyday. He is a great friend to us and we are very Thankful to have someone like him at our school.
The City of Lakewood

If you have ever gone to the city of Lakewood, you know it is an excellent place. It has parks, a mall, and a library and many other places. Lakewood is filled with terrific people everywhere you look. If you haven’t, you don’t know what you’re missing! Come and discover the many people and places there are in the city of Lakewood.

The one thing I like about Lakewood is the Mayfair Park. The park has many activities like a playground for both younger kids and older kids. It has opportunities to play sports for free like, soccer, basketball, volleyball, and other sports. Mayfair is very well kept than other parks I’ve been to. Mayfair is one of many places I enjoy about Lakewood.

Have you ever been to the Lakewood mall? I have, and I’ve bought gifts or clothes there. Lakewood mall is convenient because it has tons of stores in one place, which I think is helpful. The mall is very enormous and it seems that it has over 100 stores! The mall is a pleasant place to be.

The Angelo M. Iacoboni library is a wonderful place to go and check out books. It has numerous amounts of books from wall to wall. I have always gone to the library to get books on mysteries or other subjects. The library is also very immense with many lovely people all around. The Angelo M. Iacoboni Library can assist you if you were to need help in the library.

If you already live in Lakewood, you know it is a very terrific place. The city of Lakewood gives oodles of money to make it a livable place. I really like that the city of Lakewood cares about their citizens. Remember it has wonderful parks, an enormous mall, and it has a lovely library. I hope you will take the time and know how precious Lakewood is.

Happy Birthday Lakewood!

By Lupe Ibarra