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[This week](#)

Our Special Guest today is Judge Toy White. She's currently assigned to the Criminal Trials Division and presides daily over an arraignment court and the Domestic Violence Court. Some of you guys may have seen her before. Anyway Dennis will introduce her today.

[Next week](#)

Randy McCaslin from the Ventura Coastal County Association of Realtors will be here to talk about real estate, home prices and interest rates.



[Last week](#)

Lion Chris PACHANA was elected to fill in the void of a real speaker and did exceedingly well — for a Noontimer, at least. He discussed how the states have done an about-face on the “Right to Carry” issue and most states now allow anyone who doesn't have a criminal record and has passed a fire-arms safety course to carry a gun.

The statistics are simply overwhelming: wherever they allow people to carry, mur-

ders and other violent crime goes down. As soon as you prohibit law-abiding people from carrying guns, the criminals feel much freer at attacking them — and the murder rate goes up.

[Whispers from Will](#)

Well we're into our new year with a new slate of officers. Last meeting Lion Chris Pachana answered questions about gun control in the United States today. But all anybody could think about was the big fat mad marble prize. It turned out about as good as could have been expected, with not just one winner but FOUR! Yep, Lions Andy Stay, Michael Plisky, Dick Maggio and our immediate past President Ross Olney ended up splitting the more than \$900 buck in the kitty. So its time to start a new run.

Lion Mark Maidel from the Pleasant Valley Lions Club sent us a request for volunteers to help with parking at the Ventura County Fair. The Fair this year is from Wednesday August 4 through Sunday August 15 a total of 12 days. The PV Lions have divided up their needs into three shifts daily.

Each shift is 4 ½ hours beginning at 8:00 a.m. and running until 10:00 p.m. (8:30 – 1:00 / 1:00 – 5:30 and 5:30 – 10:00) They need 11 volunteers per shift. That's 396 shifts altogether.

[Winners](#)

Lion D Dick MAGGIO has Free Fines today, while Lion Chris PACHANA is our Greeter (if he's here). Lion D Todd REHANEK was here when his name was called, so he'll pocket \$20 if he makes it today. But the REALLY big winner was Lion MC Mike PLISKY and his table. They won the \$1078.50 Mad Marble Malarkey prize.

[Visitation](#)

Lions ZC Rick SMITH, 1VP Dennis AMICK, D Dick MAGGIO and BE/T Toby SCOTT hit the Ventura Downtown Lions Club yesterday at Noon. We didn't take any of their paraphernalia, although Lion Rick looked pretty silly when he was speaking at the podium and started rummaging around trying to find the bell or gavel. We still don't know where they hid the bell, but the gavel was in their president's belt. Lion Toby's wife, Ilona, attended, too, as the guest of Lion

PDG Diane Van Trees. She is planning on joining their club.

Still, it was a fun afternoon. Be sure to sign up for one of the upcoming visitations.

[Leadership institute](#)

Tomorrow at the Methodist Church in Santa Barbara all Noontimer officers will be on parade for the Leadership Institute. Festivities start at 9 AM and run to Noon. The event will be followed by the District Governor's Lunch at Mulligans where Lion ZC Rick SMITH will be offering some words of encouragement to Lion DG Ron Hurd.

All Noontimer officers are required to attend, so naturally they all will.

[Help](#)

Lion ZC/S Rick SMITH used to take pictures for the Bulletin Editor. However, with his added duties as Secretary, he is unable to move around and take them any more. If you would like to have pictures, rather than text, in the Din's, then please volunteer to take pictures and email 2-4 to the BE every week. Not a huge task, but a useful one.

CALENDAR

July 29 _____ Visitation to Carpinteria Lions Club, 7 PM
August 12 _____ Visitation to El Rio Lions, 7 PM
August 23 _____ Visitation to Pleasant Valley Lions Club, 7 PM
October 1-2 _____ White Cane Daze
November 2 _____ Election: We man polls
December 12 _____ Holiday party is on a Saturday this year: At Saticoy Country Club