

THE LIONS DIN

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[This week](#)

Our Special Guest today is Mark McCampbell, Director of Oxnard Tennis Center.

[Next week](#)

Jay Duncan, Recycling Manager for City of Oxnard, will be here to tell us all we need to know about recycling, trash and how we can get rid of our old computers, monitors and printers.

[Last week](#)

Our Special Guests today are Jessica Arciniega, coordinator of House Farm Workers!, a project of the Ag Futures Alliance Farm Worker Housing Task Force and Nancy Stehle, Board member of Habitat for Humanity. They will present the film, "Mi Casa es su Casa." Agriculture is a billion dollar business in Ventura County. But the people who make it all possible, the farm workers themselves, cannot afford to live here. This film puts a face on the problem, introducing us to the people who live 2 and 3 families to a home in order to pay rent. Farm workers, and the growers who employ them, tell the story of what is needed, what opportunities are within reach and how the

lack of information erodes the political will for solutions.

The Pleasant Valley Lions Club will be visiting us today, so we need to be on our worst behavior. We'll have to apologize to the lovely ladies from Habitat for Humanity later. It should be noted that the PV Lions are planning on stealing everything not nailed down, so we'd better keep a boat anchor on our bell, gavel and banner.

[Whispers from Will](#)

Well we've just begun the Chinese year of the Rooster. Actually it officially began on February 9th which curiously was also Ash Wednesday. Chinese superstition has 2005, pegged a "widow year," a very inauspicious time to wed because their first day of spring, fell on the previous Friday (February 4th) in the Chinese calendar and the Rooster year didn't start until Wednesday, so this year has no day marking the start of spring, a symbol of fertility and prosperity. And yet Hong Kong fortune tellers are predicting a happy marriage for Prince Charles, so go figure.

Well a check was presented in our name to Nelson Naillet the highest scoring senior representing Oxnard High School at the Academic Decathlon last week. Oxnard did

rather well, they fielded three teams. Altogether there were 30 teams representing just about every High School in the county. Oxnard's number one team finished 6th. Moorpark H.S. fielded two teams. They finished one/two with the number one team getting the highest score so far in the entire state! Anyway if you want to see more there is a web site you can go to at: <http://www.vcss.k12.ca.us/distserv/decath.htm> By the way, did you know that it typically takes a sponge 50 years to grow to 'bath size'.

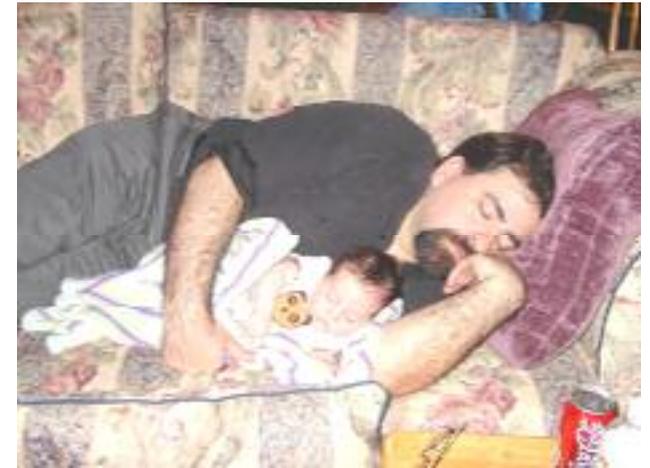
[Winners](#)

Lion Bobby MULLINS has Free Fines while Lion D Pat RIGGS is our Greeter. Lion BE/T Toby SCOTT pocketed his \$5 Attendance Prize, so Lion Dave TAPIE will pocket a like amount should he make it to today's meeting. In the Mad Marble Malarkey, Lion MC Mike PLISKY should have taken the numerous offers of \$2 for his chance to draw. He missed \$429.50

[Belated Valentines Day](#)

Be sure to sign up today and then bring your wife,

girlfriend, secretary or significant other to attend our Noontimer extravaganza next Friday. We have some nice things that have been planned and the event promises that we might actually pull off something worthwhile. Be sure to sign up today.



[Pictures](#)

No one is taking pictures for the BE, so Lion Toby decided to run some pictures of his son and grandson. You figure out which is which.

CALENDAR

February 18 ____ Belated Valentine's Day in Noontimerland: bring your wife, secretary, etc.
February 19 ____ Lion TT Scoop LISKEY's birthday
____ Where is the Bored? When are they going to plan something?

