



The Lions Din

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Last Week's Speaker

Since last week was a "Free Friday", we did not have a speaker but it seems like a lot of guys did a lot of speaking!

A strange phenomenon occurred last week: **Lion Dick Figueroa** appeared! He said he would be at the May 4 meeting as well. You could hear the bet makers running that one. Any bets that he will show?

Some FYI for everyone:

The *Lions Din* newsletter has been entered in the District 4A3 Newsletter Contest. The results should be out this month. I'm sure the Secretary will be notified when we win!

Since its too late to do anything for Memorial Day (like a flag ceremony at Santa Clara Cemetery, placing flags along the roadways of the cemetery), how about doing something for the Fourth of July Independence Day. Any ideas??? The City of Oxnard does not really have any celebrations planned. It seems Cinco de Mayo is more celebrated than we celebrate our own independence day.

Could the Noontimers maybe sponsor a **Chili Cook Off** in Plaza Park or the courtyard of the Performing Arts Center, have an **Old Fashioned Fourth of July** with hot dogs and hamburgers, baked beans, watermelon, and soft drinks in Plaza Park with John Souza music playing, placing **flags along various streets** in Oxnard. Let's do something that celebrates one of the oldest holidays in the United States history!

WORDS OF WISDOM

Success is neither magical nor mysterious. Success is the natural consequence of consistently applying basic fundamentals.

Excerpt from "The Treasury of Quotes" by Jim Rohn

Otto's Epitaphs



President Otto Schimmel

Woman Sues Town, Funeral Home After Falling Into Grave

POSTED: 12:54 pm EDT April 18,2007HIGHLANDS, N.C. — An elderly Georgia woman who broke her hip when she fell into an open grave during her friend's funeral is going forward with a lawsuit. Marian May, of Marietta, Ga., slipped when she was trying to place flowers on the casket of Jean Murphy Henderson in June 2004. "It is not much fun being down there, where it's nice and black, and you are looking up and I am saying 'Jean, I don't want to go with you,'" May said. Her husband, 92-year-old William May, claims the accident has cost him the affection of his wife. May wouldn't reveal her age but said she wasn't as old as her husband. The couple is suing for more than \$75,000. The lawsuit accused the town of Highlands, which owns the grave site, and the funeral home of failing to make the site safe for the service. In court documents, May argued that workers neither dug the grave to the proper size nor covered the opening with plywood. She also said people weren't warned of the danger. A federal judge recently allowed the case to proceed. A lawyer representing Highlands, located about 70 miles southwest of Asheville, said the town isn't responsible for making the grave site safe. In court papers, Bryant Funeral Home also denied responsibility for the incident and said workers had warned May to stay away from the graveside.

Thank goodness this has not happened at any of our services. My question would be how did they get Ms. May out from under the casket? I guess you just have to watch where you step (in more ways than one!).

Winners

FREE FINES: **Lion Irv Tucker**
GREETER: **Lion Todd Rehanek**
ATTENDANCE: **Lion Will Berg's** name was drawn but he was not present so the pot will continue to grow. Moral of this story: Don't leave early!
LOTTO: **Lions Byron Wedemeyer and Carlos "El Afortunado" Martinez** won the Lotto.

Marble Malarkey

Lion Mike Plisky tried his luck at winning the Marble Malarkey pot but was not lucky. The pot totalled \$181. Maybe someone will be lucky this week.

Committee Reports & Stuff

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE: New Members Orientation: Lion Mike Plisky reported the New Members Orientation would be held on Thursday, May 24, 2007 at the Radisson Hotel, 600 Esplanade Drive, Oxnard at 7:30 am. All new members will be given their "New Member" packets and indoctrination. Anyone and everyone may attend this event. Call **Lion Mike** and let him know you'll be attending.

CORRESPONDENCE: Lion Toby Scott read a letter from the International Association of Lions Club (IAOLC) regarding new members. If a club gets three or more new members in a year, they will receive an award. It looks like the Noontimers may get that award if we can get Keith Ingram to sign on.

Lion Toby introduced new member Robert Liyanage but he was unable to attend Friday's meeting.

INSTALLATION PARTY: The Installation Party for the 2007/2008 Officers and Board of Directors will be held on Friday, June 8, 2007 at Casa Lopez, 325 South Sreet, Oxnard. Invitations will be going out in mid-May but mark your calendars now.

Alcohol Pouring Certification training: See item in Column 2 of this page.

MARGARITA BOOTH FOR STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL: Lion Toby reported they need 4 people in the booth at all times. See more information in next item.

Margarita Shift Workers Needed

The Noontimers Lions Club needs volunteers for the various shifts to work the Margarita Booth at the Strawberry Festival on May 19 and 20. Lions **Toby Scott** and **Rick Gill** are co-chairing this event. Let **Lion Rick G** know what shift you are willing to work. Spouses, girlfriends and anyone else can help as long as they are over 21 years of age and have a current Alcohol Pouring Certification (See item below for information on Alcohol Pouring Certifications.)

Alcohol Pouring Certification Training

Lion Toby indicated that Senior Officer Chris Weir of Oxnard Police Department is holding the training at the Carriage Square Police Substation, 250 Citrus Grove Lane, Suite 220, Oxnard, on the following days:

Wednesday, May 9 from 1-3 pm
Thursday, May 17 from 5:30-7:30 pm

Remember: To participate the Strawberry Festival, you need to have a current certificate with you at the Festival. The dates above are the remaining two dates available for training.

Fundraiser Coming Up

The Noontimers will be having a different type of fundraiser in June. Mark JUNE 1 on your calendars for an event that will help raise money on an on-going basis for the Noontimers as well as be a heathful benefit to everyone who comes. Curious? More to come in the May 25 newsletter. This will be a co-ed event with cigars, wine, bourbon, tri tip, tooth-paste, make-up, and pasta salad!!!!!! Lion Andy's wife and Lion Steve Sabedra's wife are working on this one. Should be interesting and a good time.

No Newsletter on May 11 or May 18

There will be no newsletter on May 11 or May 18 as the Bulletin Editor is leaving to check the weather conditions in the Caribbean. Lion Steve and his wife will be touring the southern Caribbean islands and will suffer through not being in Oxnard preparing the newsletter. See you on May 25.

May 4, 2007	Regular meeting
May 9, 2007	Alcohol Pouring Training (See Lion Rick G)
May 11, 2007	Regular meeting
May 17, 2007	Alcohol Pouring Training (See Lion Rick G)
May 18, 2007	Regular meeting
May 19-20, 2007	Strawberry Festival - Margarita Booth
May 25, 2007	Regular meeting
May 28, 2007	Lion Jeff Norris' Birthday
May 29, 2007	Board meeting at Lion Todd's Home

