

# THE LIONS DIN

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## This week

It's open.

## Next week

Steve Kinney from Economic Development Corporation of Oxnard, will be here to tell us what his company does to bring business into Oxnard, and how they do it.

## Last week

Mexican Consul Fernando Gamboa stopped by to talk about visas, immigration, border policy and what his office does to promote tourism. Naturally, he wants the US to loosen the restrictions on border crossings — something that Lion D Mike PLISKY took umbrage with. Lion Mike says that we already have too many illegal immigrants from Mexico and that they are squeezing out legal migration from other countries, place an enormous burden on infrastructure and many pay no income tax from illegal employment. Mr. Gamboa respectfully suggested that Mexican immigration has contributed significantly to the US economy, that illegals pay taxes and that the



only way to stop the flow is to improve the economy of Mexico and decrease the financial incentives to cross. Also, the men leaving Mexico to work create large problems for Mexico as well, since they leave large families behind, many of which have to be supported by the government.

## Musings from Maggio

Noontimers in the Vending Machine business?? At Wednesday's meeting of the Bored 2nd VP Lion Will Berg introduced a rep from CI Vending who gave a presentation on the concept. The Bored requested that CI Vending present a written proposal for consideration at the June meeting. In other matters the Bored: authorized Lion Rick to attend an upcoming District Cabinet Meeting; Granted Member at Large status for 3 Months to Lion Marv Long; Requested a review and report from Our Secretary/Treasurer on our Deposit Policy; and discussed a Club BBQ and a Fishing trip for this Fall. Our THANKS to Lion Todd for the great meal. Chef Emeril of the Food Network has requested to be Lion Todd's understudy.

Lion George reports that he has secured several electric carts for Noontimer use at the Parade on Saturday. Its not too late to sign up! Lion George Sez "If you miss the opportunity to participate on Saturday you will have to wait 100 years for the next one!" Lion Mike Sez "Do not forget your Buddy"

## Installation

Invitations to the Installation are out. Check with Lion S/T Carl BUTSON if you haven't received yours. It is going to be a fabulous evening.

Wear your best country clothes, bring a few bucks for libations and then sit back and listen — or dance — to the fabulous sounds of the Iron Mountain Boys.

Margarita



Naturally, we have some skits and pranks planned (and undoubtedly more that weren't planned will happen). It will definitely be a night to remember — if you can remember anything after they roll you out the door.



## Winners

Our guest speaker, Fernando Gamboa, actually won Free Fines, however, we redrew and Lion D Dave TAPIE picked them off on the second try. Lion Loyal FRAZIER is our Greeter — which means we may be greeted slowly, but with great style. Lion John FARRAR wasn't here to qualify for the \$5 Attendance Prize, so today we'll draw for \$10. In the Mad Marble Malarkey, Lion D Dave TAPIE somehow managed to pick out the correct marble from amongst the 200 or so colored ones and will pocket \$137.50.

## Thanks

Pictures of the Strawberry Festival booth courtesy of Lion D Dave TAPIE.

## CALENDAR

May 31 \_\_\_\_\_ We sell Souvenirs at Oxnard Centennial Parade  
June 3 \_\_\_\_\_ Lion Dave GOSNELL's birthday  
June 20 \_\_\_\_\_ Installation of New Officers: Marriott at 6 PM