



The Lions Pin

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Last Week's Event

If you missed last week, you missed an outstanding program put on by the three student speaker contestants. **Lion Rick Smith** presented the speakers (pictured below from left to right) Ariel Jayner, senior at Newbury Park High School,



Newbury Park, Amanda Mitchell, sophomore at El Camino High School, Ventura, and Erica Fernandez, junior at Hueneme High School, Oxnard). Each contestant presented three different views on "Global Warming - Fact or Fiction". It is quite impressive to watch these young students get in front of an audience (much less the Noontimers) and speak and enjoy it. I know I could not do something like that, even at my age! The winning contestant for Zone 7 was Ariel Jayner, who won \$75. She now moves onto the next contest...region! She will compete again on March 21, 2007 at Los Altos School, Camarillo. If she wins that contest, she will receive \$125 and move onto the district level. There were three judges for the contest but I could only track down two of them. They were Angelea Smith and Kurt Davison. Congratulations Ariel.

THINK POSITIVELY
March is National Positive Thinking Month

Otto's Epitaphs

Remember to set your clocks ahead on Sunday, March 11. Remember the old adage "Spring Forward, Fall Back" Does anyone really know why we keep doing this year after year? Well, here it is...The Uniform Time Act of 1966 standardized the beginning and ending dates for daylight saving time (DST)-beginning on the last Sunday of April, when we set our clocks ahead one hour, and ending six months later, when we set them back. In 1986, President Ronald Reagan signed a law changing the beginning of DST to the first Sunday in April, increasing the duration to seven months. However, on August 8, 2005, President George W. Bush signed a new law declaring that DST should begin on the second Sunday in March and end on the first Sunday in November. That law takes effect this year. Aren't you glad the presidents have watched over this crucial issue for so long!



President Otto Schimmel

DID-JA KNOW?

- No piece of paper can be folded more than 7 times.
- The Mona Lisa does not have eyebrows. It was the fashion in Renaissance Florence to shave them off.
- Walt Disney was afraid of mice.
- The first product to be bar coded was Wrigley's gum.
- Fingerprints of a koala bear are similar to the fingerprints of a human.
- All US Presidents have worn glasses. Some just didn't like being seen wearing them in public.

WORDS THAT SHOULD EXIST (BUT DON'T):

aquadextrous (ak wa deks 'trus) adj. Possessing the ability to turn the bathtub tap on and off with your toes.

disconfect (dis kon fekt') v. To sterilize the piece of confection (lollipop) you dropped on the floor by blowing on it, assuming this will somehow "remove" all the germs.

Winners

FREE FINES: **Lion Mike Plisky**
GREETER: **Lion Sig Askvik**
ATTENDANCE: **Lion Richard Figueroa's** name was drawn but he was not present so he can not win this week. The pot will continue to grow.
LOTTO: **Lions Tom Blattel** (PV Lions) and **Rick Smith** were the lucky winners!

Marble Malarkey

Lion Andy Stay's number was drawn but he didn't win. He said he would wait until the pot grew to a good size since **Lion Rick Gill** took all the money last week!

Calling All Officers

The Nominating Committee is working on the names for election. Here's the slate of nominees so far:

President	Toby Scott
1st Vice Pres	I'm Not In Town
2nd Vice Pres	What Do I Have To Do
3rd Vice Pres	Not Me!
Secretary	Have You Heard of Carpal Tunnel
Treasurer	I Don't Want To Do It

Seriously, if you or someone you would like to volunteer is interested in becoming an officer, please contact **Lions Dennis Amick, Will Berg, Dick Maggio, or Ross Olney**. We will keep the names a secret if you want! We have to conduct the election by April 13, 2007.

City of Hope Bus Trip

Don't forget to sign up for the City of Hope Bus Trip. Contact Lion Margaret Dunlevy, Ventura Downtown Lions, at 805-847-2007 or 805-340-8505 or by e-mail (Margaret@venturalions.org). The event is Sunday, March 25, 2007. Only 47 people will get to go to City of Hope. The trip costs \$23 per person. This is the 50th anniversary of the City of Hope and this event will be quite special.

Recycle For Sight

Making a Difference

May is Recycle for Sight Month - Make Plans to Participate!

What would you pay for good vision with a new pair of glasses? A day's wages? A week's? For many people in developing countries, one month's wages will barely cover an eye exam—assuming they can even secure an appointment. Lions have recognized the urgent need for corrective lenses and continue to fight the problem with the Recycle For Sight program.

Recycling a pair of eyeglasses costs as little as 8 cents, and with nearly 37 percent of all clubs participating and almost 30 million glasses collected last year alone, eyeglass recycling is one of Lions' clubs most popular activities. Officially adopted by the association in 1994, the collection and donation of used eyeglasses enables many in developing countries to see well for the first time. Costs for an eye exam and new glasses are often prohibitive and the scarcity of qualified eye doctors is another barrier.

The need is still present. As many as 90% of adults need glasses by age 40 in order to read. According to the World Health Organization, the vision of one in four people could be improved with a pair of corrective eyeglasses. That equates to 500 million people who could easily have improved vision.

Starting an eyeglass collection program can be easy. Use Recycle For Sight Month in May as motivation to begin your club's program—doing so helps fight correctable vision loss and makes your club visible within the community. Clubs across the world have taken dynamic approaches to recognizing Recycle For Sight since the association officially adopted the program in 1994.

After collecting the glasses, send them to one of the 13 regional Lions Eyeglass Recycling Centers. Once your club's Recycle For Sight eyeglasses collection effort is complete, take a moment to fill out the online collection totals form.

Editor's Note: This Club needs a service project for the year. Consider taking this one on! Make it a contest within a few schools with a Pizza Party in the Classroom as the prize.

calendar

March 12, 2007	Lion George Thompson's birthday
March 21, 2007	Lion Will Berg's birthday
March 21, 2007	Region Student Speakers' Contest, Camarillo
March 28, 2007	Board Meeting at Lion Todd Rehanek's home
March 29, 2007	Lion Steve Sabedra's birthday