



# The Lions Pin

Oxnard Noontimers Lions Club

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## Happy Valentine's

Today is our annual Valentine's Lunch. We invite our wives, girlfriends, and assorted females (as Lion Toby calls them) to join us for lunch to celebrate the women in our lives. We hope everyone has a good time and enjoys the lunch. Happy Valentine's Day to everyone.

## Elections Are Coming

April is election time for the Noontimers. If you want to serve on the Board of Directors or be an officer, please contact Lion Will Berg. If you want to change offices, let Lion Will know as well. It does not take a lot of an individual's time to serve on the Board but a certain commitment needs to be made. Don't be surprised if you get a call or approached on this topic too. Don't be afraid to serve!

## Get Embroidered!

Lion Mike Plisky strongly suggests that each member with a Noontimers jacket get their name embroidered on the front of the jacket. This is a good idea for visitations since we don't have name badges when we visit other clubs. This also gives community recognition when you are out and about running errands and wearing your Noontimers jacket. To get the embroidery done, contact Eunice Hill, Hill's Custom Embroidery, 1560 South Oxnard Boulevard, Oxnard, 805 485-3400. Ms. Hill said it would be about \$10 plus tax. She does a really nice job and does it quickly. So call Eunice and GET EMBROIDERED!

The calendar items are current and all the bulletins for the past 5 years are now up on the Noontimers website. Go to <http://www.noontimers.org> and see what's there.

## Toby's Bits & Bytes

What a surprise. We actually had a student speakers contest last week with three competitors. Olympia Tril from Pacifica High School won our \$50 prize, defeating Joyce DeJesus and Celene Ambriz and is off to the Zone contest where she will be competing against three other students. Olympia could use support at the contest on February 25 at 7 PM at the



President Lion Toby Scott

Roger Jones Community Center, 2864 Jourdan Drive in El Rio.

Today is our Valentine's Day Massacre – the day when we, in typical Noontimer fashion, are late celebrating an event. If there are any of you who, like your president, didn't do anything to celebrate the real Valentine's Day with their spouse, this is a chance for salvation. Hopefully, no one will do anything to embarrass anyone, but with the Noontimers, that is never a given.

Lion Robert Liyanage and I attended the Cabinet Meeting in Paso Robles this past weekend. The big news is that a new Lions club was formed in Ojai (it would be nice if some Noontimers would attend their Charter Night on March 1) and another is pretty close to ready. Also, Lion John Boes from Paso Robles Lions Club announced his intention to run for Vice District Governor at the District Convention in April. John is a good guy and should make a good governor.

Lion Andy Stay received an email from Father Eugen, which should have been printed in today's bulletin. Father Eugen is hoping to finish building the schools he started when he visited us several years ago. I think it would be appropriate for us to start a fundraiser to build schools in Cameroon. As soon as Lion Andy has a list of tasks and an amount, we'll see what we can do. Board members, please stand by.

## Winners

Its another fill in the blanks day. Sorry your Bulletin Editor was not at last week's meeting.

FREE FINES: Lion  
GREETER: Lion  
ATTENDANCE: Lion  
LOTTO: Lions

## Marble Malarkey

Lion \_\_\_\_\_ tried. Did he win? If so, how much?

## Strawberry Festival

The Noontimers will receive a Certificate of Appreciation at the Strawberry Festival this year. The Strawberry Festival is celebrating its 25th Anniversary on May 17-18, 2008 at College Park in Oxnard. Lion Rick Gill will be passing around sign up sheets. Remember when you sign up, put it on your calendar because it takes a lot of people to make our booth successful. People who cancel at the last minute really mess up the schedule!

## Lion Roland Steele

Last week the Lions Club paid tribute to a long standing member of the Noontimers. The first Secretary the Noontimers ever had was Lion Roland Steele. He is still carried on our books as a Lifetime Member, even though he had been unable to get out of bed for years. Lion Roland died recently and his memorial services was held on February 6, 2008 at the Masonic Lodge in Oxnard. Many who remember Lion Roland and all the time and energy he poured into Lions attended the service.

## Notes from the Bushman

**Reprint of email from Father Eugen to Lion Andy Stay:**  
"Subject: Re: WHere are You?????????????????"

How grateful I am to read from you at last! Andy you have been missing. I write and even tried calling in vain. Could you send me the surest phone I can get you by? Big Bro! How could I ever love you the less in my life? I was instead afraid that you grown the interest and habit of loving me less. But given what you did for me and other things, I couldn't bring myself to think of anything like that. I love you ever.

You surely got my email of last week, I hope.

I hear today is love and friendship day. I was informed in town and laughed at for not knowing. I want to mail you a photo cd. You will only get the video later. Who knows I may bring it over myself. My Camcorder got spoiled though I treated it like an egg and I could edit the tapes. I may have to send you one or two in their original state. There is much to please you Andy, in those tapes.

What can I tell the lions? The schools are still there uncompleted; the clinic unbuilt, church not roofed and Eugen sometimes unfed! I prefer the schools. I am will try to forward photos online as well as send them in a CD.

I am doing fine. Sometimes tired having to live and work alone for years in the bush. But God has been good to me and you too Andy.

Please, bring my warmest regards to Flora, then Fr. Leo (through whose presence God brought us together) and then my Lion Brothers. I remember and love them. 'Fr. Eugen Pray for Us. We need it.' these were the Lions' words on my marble plaque.

If the lions can help me complete the two schools for the hundreds of kids I would be most grateful. Any more information, I will be ready to furnish. I will be in the network on Saturday to check my mail again.

With much love,

Bushman in person"

Okay, guys. This is a person who is helping hundreds with nothing. We have to have a good fundraiser (after we get the info from Lion Andy) and send money to Father Eugen.

Feb 16 Lion Bobby Mullins Birthday

Feb 19 Lion Ev Batey's Birthday

Feb 25 Student Speaker Zone Contest, Roger Jones Community Center, Oxnard, 7 pm

Feb 27 Board Meeting at Lion Todd's Home, 6 pm

Mar 1 Ojai Valley Lions Club Charter Night, Soule Park Banquet Room, 5:30 pm

Mar 4 Drawing for Strawberry Festival IBooth, 800 Hobson Way, 4 pm

Mar 8 Simi Valley 80th Charter Night, Best Western Posada Royale Hotel, Simi Valley, 4 pm

May 17-18 Strawberry Festival (Sign up to work the booth)

