

Whittier Host Lions Club  
P. O. Box 245  
Whittier, CA 90608



We Serve!

**UPCOMING PROGRAMS**

- August 16 "An Evening With Jack Mele,"  
under the new Jack Mele Score-board at the Whittier High School baseball field.  
Please bring some folding chairs and a big beach blanket to spread out. (This meeting will NOT be held at the Masonic Temple.)
- August 23 Camp Bloomfield for the Junior Blind

**Board of Directors' Meeting**

Wednesday, Aug. 8, 5:30 P.M.  
Presbyterian Intercommunity Hospital  
Lower Level - Room H

**WHITTIER HOST LIONS CLUB**

**Officers 2007-2008**

Frank Hill	President
Drew Sones	First Vice President
Al Campano	Second Vice President
Jerry Perisho	Third Vice President
Doug Lopez	Lion Tamer
Bruce Martin	Tail Twister by Committee
Ron Copley	Immediate Past President
Oliver Wyman	Secretary
Mac McFarland	Treasurer

**Directors**

Vince Mele	Past President
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Jim Spaulding	Larry Williams

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Wes Romberger	Dave Williamson

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**Meetings:**

Masonic Temple  
Mar Vista & Greenleaf, Whittier, CA  
Thursday at Noon  
11:45 to 1:15 Belongs to our Community



**THE MAIN LION**



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*President's Message*

*By Frank Hill*



Fellow Lions,

We've got a problem. It's one of those issues that has been raising its head for the last few years. It doesn't appear to be going away, so I think we have to accept it as a new reality of the Whittier Host Lions Club. As much as we can't believe it is true, all indications seem to be pointing the other way. So here it is, I'll try to be as blunt and diplomatic about it as I can..... Gentlemen, we have been raising a ton on money and we have to work harder to give it away.

Because of the tremendous success of the Horse Show and Sight for Kids, we have to resurrect our major donor committee and look for new beneficiaries of our largess. Obviously this is a great problem to have and one that every one of us should be very proud. Past President Jon Prechtel has agreed to serve as our new chairman of the Major Donor Committee and he needs our help in two ways. First, if you are interested in serving and willing to help evaluate and make recommendations to the Board of Directors, contact Jon and offer your

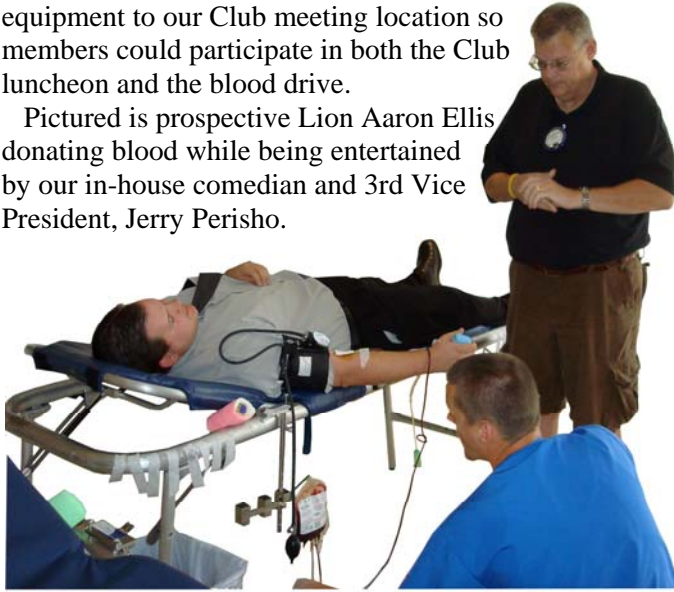
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**This Week's Program**

**Great to have so many donate blood at our first Blood Bank Drive for the 2007-08 year. 13 units!**

PIH sent an excellent crew and all the equipment to our Club meeting location so members could participate in both the Club luncheon and the blood drive.

Pictured is prospective Lion Aaron Ellis donating blood while being entertained by our in-house comedian and 3rd Vice President, Jerry Perisho.



**President's Message (continued)**

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Secondly, Jon needs our thoughts about potential projects we can support. Under consideration are requests from PIH, the Intercommunity Counseling Center and the Oralingua School for the Hearing Impaired. I have always advocated that we create a halfway house for girls that go all the way, but I seem to be their only promoter. So pass along to Jon your thoughts about these worthwhile projects as well as any other group or organization you think we should consider. I'm hoping our Board of Directors will give Jon and his committee a budget to work from this week.

Finally, come out and work the Lions Eyemobile this week. Monday at Central Park and Thursday at Parnell Park. I will be there and I always believe that the more Lions the merrier. Come out and see how we can have fun and serve our community at the same time.

Yours in Lionism,  
Frank

**HEARD AT CLUB**  
by Doug Halliday

After a fabulous 10-day land trip and cruise to Alaska it's great to be back! A very big tip of the hat to **Drew Sones** for writing the column the first week that I was on vacation, and to the Editor-in-Chief himself, **Wayne Martin**, for doing double duty the second week I was gone. Many thanks gents and a job well done! Also it was great to hear that all went well for Wayne during his recent visit to Scripps!

We had a good turn out on our blood drive Thursday. President **Frank Hill**, wielding a gavel that looked like it came from the Lions Club of Samoa, had **Ed McClean** and **Monte Wicker** conduct the song and flag salute portion of our opening ceremony. **Wayne Martin** was back at the piano. Frank, what was the deal with the gavel? **Jerry Laiblin** gave the invocation.

**Ben Greer**, off to a great start as our new blood drive chairman, announced that we had 12 members give blood before and during our meeting. Ben stressed the importance of this program noting that two surgical procedures at PIH had to be canceled and re-scheduled recently because of a lack of a sufficient blood supply at the hospital.

**Dick Norton** needs volunteers to help with the Eyemobile on Monday evening, August 6<sup>th</sup>, at Central Park, and again on Thursday evening, August 9<sup>th</sup>, at Parnell Park. The Eyemobile will be present giving free exams during the popular citywide 'Concert in the Park' series. Dick promised that he would be showing off his new Chinese dragon full back tattoo to all who help out! Please give Dick a call and enjoy the skin illustrations!

**Doug Rowan** reminded all attending the evening meeting on August 16<sup>th</sup> to bring folding chairs. The meeting will be held at Whittier High School's athletic field starting at 5:30PM under the new **Jack Mele** Scoreboard. The event entitled "An evening with Jack" should be well attended. If

you are planning to go please RSVP to Lion Tamer **Doug Lopez** at 562-696-3481, or [doug@dialworks.com](mailto:doug@dialworks.com).



**Oliver ("The Hammer") Wyman** wants all members to turn in a completed Photo Information Directory Form to him. The form was mailed out to you several weeks ago. The info will be used to compile the new 2007-2008 Club roster. A quick heads up needs to be given to all of our new members. Failure to comply with his request invites an "up-close and personal" confrontation with "The Hammer" himself. Please, for your own sake and personal safety, do not get on the south side of Oliver.

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**New Member Notification**  
The following individual has applied for membership in the Whittier Host Lions Club:  
**Aaron Ellis**  
Any objection to the applicant must be sent via mail no later than two weeks from this notification to the following:  
Whittier Host Lions Club  
P O Box 245  
Whittier, CA 90608  
Attention: Club Secretary

**Pearl** reported that the new system for turning lunch tickets in worked perfectly! You pay your money, Pearl gives you a ticket and you place it in the bowl next to her cash box. End of problem. Now, how long did it take us to figure that one out?

Lion Tamer **Doug** (soon to have two good knees) **Lopez** called for the introduction of guests. **Jerry Perisho** introduced **Aaron Ellis**. Aaron also gave blood. Seems like the kind of guy we would like to have on board. Also with us was Lion **Hal Sterns** from the East Whittier Lions Club.



Our Lion of the Day was **Steve Dobbs**. Steve, a recent rejoined member, had originally been in the club 10 years ago. A native of Coffeyville, Kansas Steve's family moved to California when he was small. He attended elementary and high school in South Gate, and later graduated from USC with a degree in business. He is the president of a transportation business that contracts services to organizations such as Presbyterian Intercommunity Hospital. Steve and his wife, Pilar, have been married for 15 years. They have two daughters.

**Jon** ("I collect the big bucks") **Prechtl** was our Tail Twister for the day. Jon wasted no time at all by collecting a buck from each member not wearing shorts. Some members at the animal table, tried to dodge the fine by saying they had on boxers. C'mon you tight wads it was only a dollar! Also, if you were wearing a tie, Jon nailed you for an additional two smackers.

**Bruce Martin** was fined for not fining Jon several weeks back when he, Bruce, was twisting. It seems Bruce missed fining Jon for his recent vacation trip to the east coast. So Bruce had to pay for Jon's trip. Could this be the start of a "fining war" between the two? Stay tuned and don't miss the next time Bruce is sitting at head table and Jon is out in the audience.

Although **Rich Dewberry's** birthday was mentioned a week or so ago, he was never fined, so he very generously gave \$100 to the scholarship fund in honor of both vacation trip and birthday. Many thanks Rich! **President Frank** dodged a fine for not being properly 'broken in' to the job of president. Since Jon couldn't fine the president, he fined Immediate PP Ron Copley instead.

Jon called in the marker I had left before going on vacation relating to my new job on the Parking and Transportation Commission for the City of Whittier. Jon tried to extract more money from me! And **Lyle Nelson** was fined for a recent romantic vacation to Big Bear, and for a trip he made to his Danish hometown of Virborg, South Dakota. Jon agreed to wave the fine if Lyle got up in front of the Club and did a Danish Folk Dance. I would have paid double the fine if Lyle had done it in traditional costume!

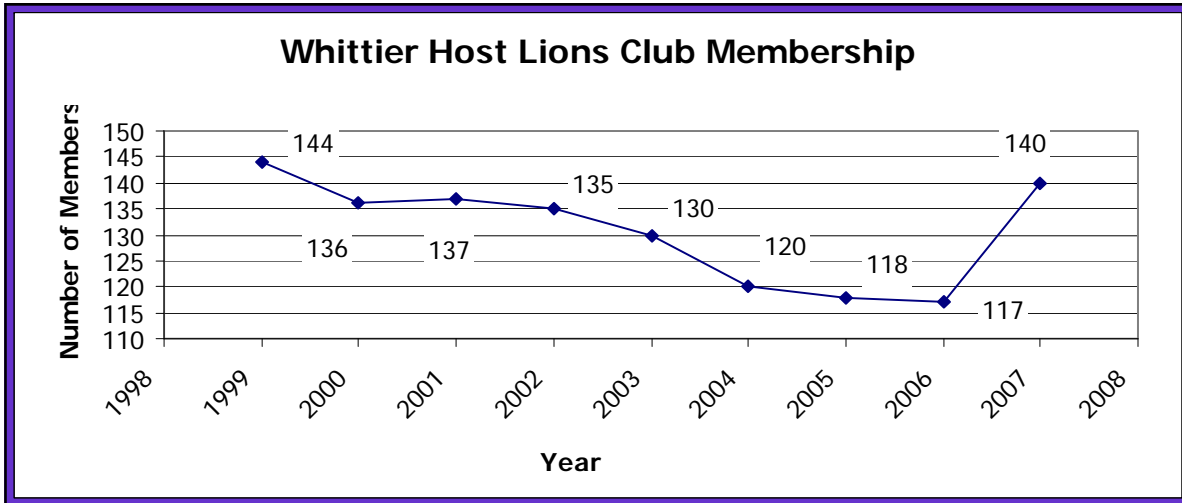


**Brent Berry** and **Jerry Laiblin** took over from Jon. They called up **George Williams** in recognition of his birthday. All are partners in Linda Vista Cellars. They had made a special plum (also know as prune) schnapps for George on his day. Brent said it has a 30% alcohol rating. George, please hold on and stay close to a bathroom!



Committees and blood donations followed.

I'll see you all next week at Club! **Doug Halliday**



**The welcome door is always open for new members at the Whittier Host Lions Club!**

Printed above is a chart of our recent membership numbers. These numbers reflect our Club's membership as of July 1 of each year.

**IF WE CAN BOOST MEMBERSHIP TO OVER 150, THEN WE WILL HAVE NULLED OUT OUR ATTRITION FOR THE LAST 7 YEARS!**

## Help Us Capture These Guys

W A N T E D	NEW MEMBER PROSPECT	SPONSOR	NEW MEMBER PROSPECT	SPONSOR
	Keith Mericle	Doug Lopez	Michael Raineack	Mac McFarland
	Jay Green	Doug Lopez	Larry Hedrick	Dan Duran
	Tim McCarthy	Doug Lopez	Jim Piggot	Doug Lopez
	Kurt James	Doug Lopez	Mark Jones	Al Montes De Oca
	Mac Macnally	Mike James	Ron Whitmore	Doug Keeling
	Dave Golden	Larry Dicus	Pete Ramirez	Frank Hill
	Mario Burella	Jim Palminteri	Edgar Cuen	Al Campano
	Frank Hahn	Jim Palminteri	Dr. Peter Rocha	Dr. Randy Holmes
	Steve Murdock	Chris George	Dr. Rick Nieto	Del Hovden
	Scott Crawford	Jim Palminteri	Jim Remington	Jim McBride
	Carl Cheffers	Doug Lopez	Toby Porter	Jim Palminteri
Howard Miller	Doug Lopez	Aaron Ellis	Del Hovden	



**TEARS-N-CHEERS**  
by Larry Williams

Please continue your prayers for John Fellegi as he continues his battle against cancer.

A tip of the hat to Chris George and his wife Katie as they recently celebrated their 10th wedding anniversary.

Also, it was great to see Doug Lopez getting around without crutches.

A big thank you to all the Lions and friends who donated blood during the drive last week.



**Did You Know?**

PP Lion Mike Loyet owned a large farm in North Carolina for several years.

He had a large pond in the back, fixed up nice; picnic tables, horseshoe courts, and some apple and peach trees. The pond was properly shaped and fixed up for swimming when it was built.

One evening Mike decided to go down to the pond, as he hadn't been there for a while, and look it over. He grabbed a five gallon bucket to bring back some fruit.

As he neared the pond, he heard voices shouting and laughing with glee.

As Mike came closer, he saw it was a bunch of young women skinny-dipping in his pond. He made the women aware of his presence and they all went to the deep end.

One of the pretty gals shouted to him, "We're not coming out until you leave."

Mike frowned and replied, "I didn't come down here to watch you ladies swim naked or make you get out of my pond." Holding the bucket up he said, "I'm here to feed the alligator."

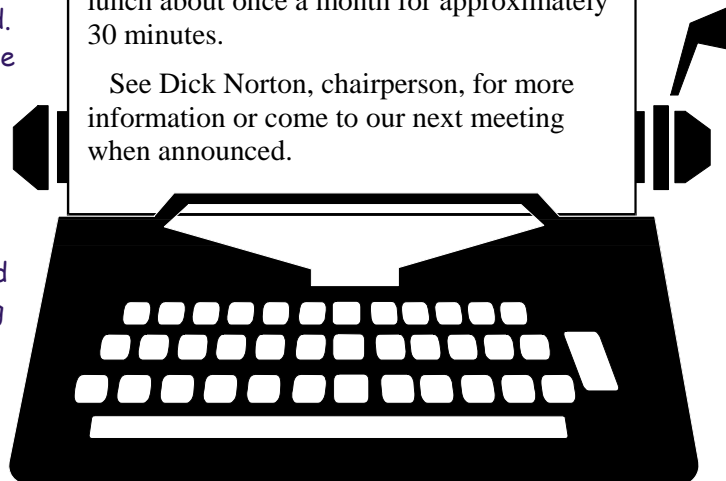
Mike Loyet has always been sharp and could think fast on his feet!

*Dick Norton writes . . . .*

New members-----Tired of looking at the same old faces at every meeting?

Get involved in a committee -- a great way to meet those that you don't have lunch with. Perk up and bring your body to the "Civic Affairs Committee" -- a new exciting experience of conversing with other Lions about spending the Club's money to provide much needed materials for those in the community who are in need. It gives you a new outlook on life to observe the faces of the recipients of these gifts at a Club Presentation. We would enjoy having you as a member of our "Civic Affairs Committee" which meets after lunch about once a month for approximately 30 minutes.

See Dick Norton, chairperson, for more information or come to our next meeting when announced.



**My memory's really blurry. Who are these 1987 members?**



All pictures are of current members. The July 19th MAIN LION featured other 1987 members.

A thank you to Bob Bruce for providing the pictures.