

Whittier Host Lions Club
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UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Feb. 13 (Friday) EVENING MEETING
Valentine's Celebration -
Evening of Broadway Show
Hits - Whittier College

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WHITTIER HOST LIONS CLUB

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

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President's Message

By Drew Sones



Lions with Heart,

A great meeting on Thursday! However, the Whittier Daily News reporter (who received a free lunch and the companionship of our very own Lion VDG Larry Dicus) somehow forgot that the Whittier Host Lions staged the entire event and NOT the Masonic Lodge!! I know local Editor Tim Traeger was very aware of this fact as he reads our *Main Lion* every week and called to make sure his reporter and photographer could attend and enjoy the food and camaraderie of our Club.

Hey Tim, if you are reading this please print a correction somewhere in your paper and let us know so we can cut it out, append it to the story and send it to Lions International (we get brownie points for newspaper articles that mention our Club's name). By the way Tim, our Club was recognized as the "Club of the Month" for February. That's correct! We were one of only 12 Clubs throughout the world to be recognized as the Club of the Month for 2009 (That is 12 out of 45,000 Clubs around the world)!! Pretty impressive!

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**This Week's Program is
on Friday evening at
Whittier College.
No Thursday meeting**



See inside for details



President's Message *continued*

OK Lions we have a wonderful event planned for next Friday, February 13th beginning at 5:30 pm at the Whittier College Villalobos Center (behind the Campus Bookstore). If you haven't signed up it is almost too late. Please call me, your president, before 4 pm on Monday, February 9, 2009, if you want to attend and haven't already signed up. We have 70 attending so far and we would like to reach the magic number of 100. Remember, the price of this event (\$40/person) includes:

Hosted Bar (pouring by Beence Dain-yo Daigneault)

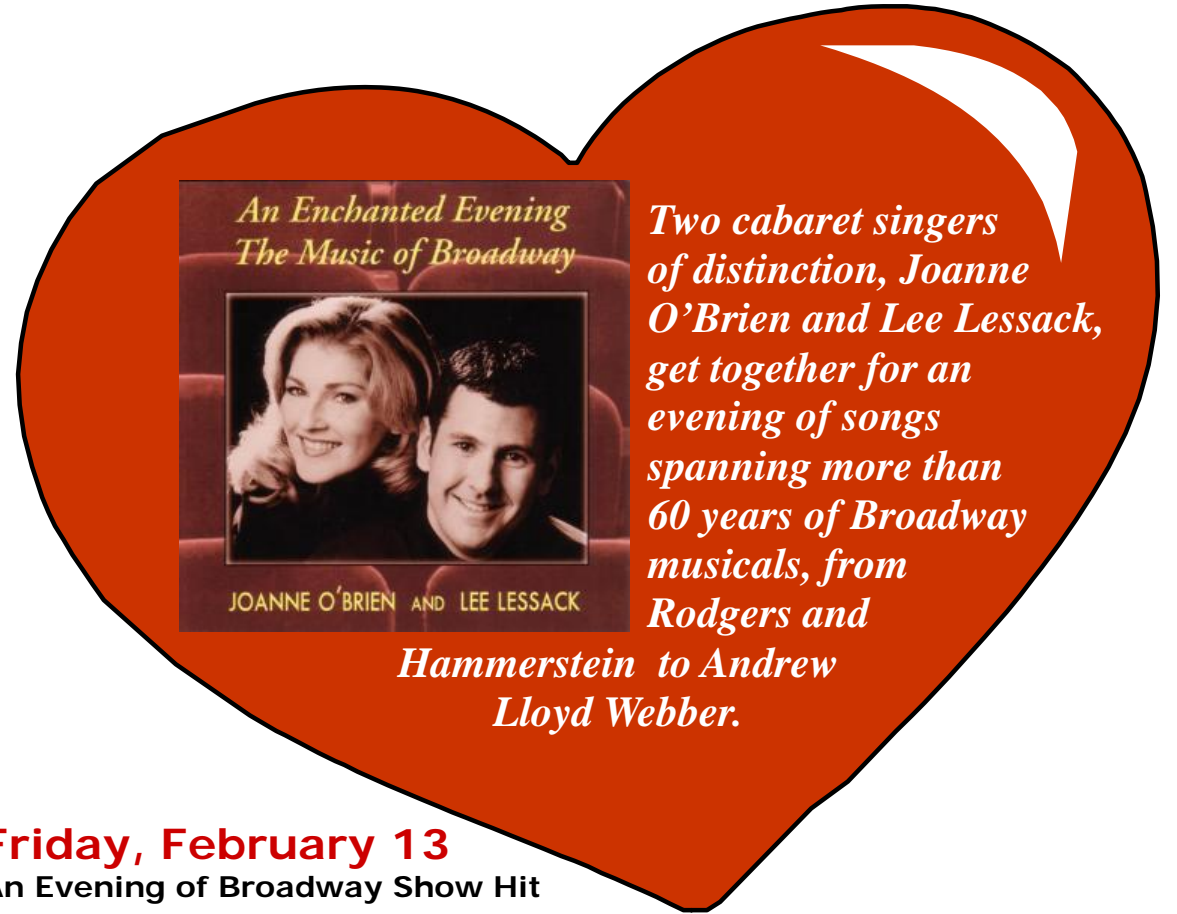
Gourmet dinner buffet catered by Bon Appetite.

A full Lion Club meeting featuring our world famous Tail Twisting Team headed by Doug Lopez and Frank Hill.

A \$20 value ticket to the Shannon Center featuring Professional performers singing famous Broadway hit songs from then to now.

Remember this is an event planned for you to bring your significant other to celebrate Valentine's Day with other Lions and their Valentines. You can also invite your neighbors and friends to enjoy this wonderful evening!

The next morning at 4 am I will be travelling with Lion Ron Copley to the Multiple District 4 Convention for all the Clubs in California to visit with the International President Al Brandel and find out if our Oralingua Project was selected as the Lion Project of the Year for California. Keep your fingers crossed! Lion Drew



Friday, February 13 An Evening of Broadway Show Hit

Our February evening meeting will be held the day before Valentine's Day and will include a catered affair on the Campus of Whittier College and tickets to the Shannon Center for a night of hit Broadway show songs. **Signups and money collection will continue until MONDAY, FEB. 9 AT 4:30 PM.** It is important that we have committed reservations as we have to give the caterer a committed number. Contact President Drew Sones: 562 945-4100 or sonesfam@att.net 5:30PM \$40/person.



HEARD AT CLUB

By Doug Halliday

On February 5, 2009



One thing is sure in today's ever-changing world, if you have a great topic for a luncheon meeting you are going to have a great turn out! And, that's exactly what we had. There was a packed house on Thursday to hear **John Semcken**, Vice President of Majestic Realty, talk about the prospects of a stadium being built in the City of Industry, and one or more NFL teams calling that stadium home.

Prior to John's talk we had our usual "kickoff" with **Mac, Monty, and Mark** leading the assembled in a pretty good rendition of "God Bless America" with our own **Wayne "Doctor of Musical Knowledge" Martin**, accompanying the songsters on the piano. **Lion Mark Scott** led the flag salute. **Don Pappé**, newly ordained "Minister of the Internet," gave the invocation.

A ton of guests were in attendance. More guests than I can ever remember having at one of our functions. They were: **Manuel Baca, Margarito Beltran, Jose Ching, Jeff Collier, Mike Delgado, Jane Dicus, Steve Dorsey, Heidi Gallegos, Brant Griffin, John Hocken, Rosa Masterson, Merv McDonald, Greg Nordbok, Bob Preston, Mark Ricci, Mike Sprague, Rob Stoll, Rick Swanson, Cathy Warner, and Doug Wood.** (Pictured on page 2, not in order)



Jerry Perisho was our Tail Twister on Thursday. Jerry, who is also known as "The High Lord and Royal Executioner," is always at the top of his comedic game in front of a live audience. Thursday, with about 100 Lions and guests present, was a venue where Jerry was at his best. In quick succession Jerry fined the following:

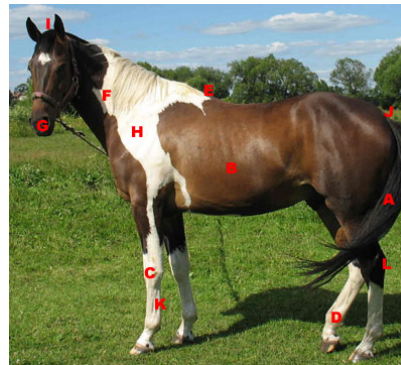
- The entire Animal Table (two tables worth because of Thursday's full house) for not knowing the page numbers of the article on the Whittier Host Lions in the latest edition of Lions International Magazine.
- **Jim Jacobs** for having a really old picture of himself in the same article.
- **Dr. Randy Holmes** fined for **Frank Hill's** recent prostrate exam. Since Frank now has less comprehensive health insurance he, Frank, claimed there was less "sensitive conversation" from Randy prior to the exam. However, Dr. Homes did present Frank with a bouquet of flowers Thursday in an attempt to make up.
- **Jeff Ball**, President of Friendly Hills Bank, fined for a recent news article stating he refused Federal bail out money for the bank. The reason behind his refusal, Jerry explained, was the provisional cap on Jeff's salary of no more than \$500,000 per year if he had accepted!



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HEARD AT CLUB PART TWO

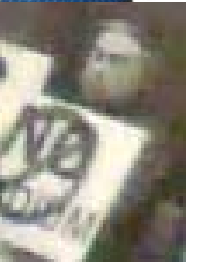
- **Frank Hill** for somehow getting into a picture (that received media attention) of stadium protesters at the proposed City of Industry site.



the City of Industry site was chosen for a National Football League Stadium. It will be the first "Green Stadium Complex" in the NFL, and there won't be a bad seat in the house for general admission. The cost to build the complex will be quite a bit less than other contemporary NFL facilities, and no taxpayer money will be used. Once the stadium deal is inked then negotiations start with the NFL over which team(s) would move in. John said that the ideal situation would be an AFC and a NFC two-team combo deal! The three California teams are a possibility. I guess the Raiders are OK for a second time, but not with Al Davis. The other possible teams are Buffalo, Jacksonville, Minnesota, and St. Louis. It should be noted that in the case of the Rams, traitors can never come home again.

One of our guests on Thursday was **Mike Sprague** of the Whittier Daily News. Mike was at Club on Thursday at the invitation of **Larry Dicus**. Mike wrote an article on our program that appeared in Friday's Daily News. If you would like some additional information I guess you could check out what Mike had to say. However, be forewarned. Mike doesn't give our Club or those members who worked very hard to put this program on any credit. We are referred to as a "presentation before about 90 people at the Whittier Masonic Temple." Stop by for lunch any Thursday Mike, your office is just next-door. That's about it. I'll see you all next week at Club. - **Doug Halliday**

- **Bud Chapman** for a trip down under to Australia and New Zealand.
- **John Pollara**, thanks for showing up once every 6 months!
- Jerry asked all members who did not work the recently concluded 48th annual Horse Show to stand. **Mark Rippey** was then singled out as their representative for a quiz on horse anatomy. Wrong answers cost the standing multitudes \$10 each!



The Horse Show's Management Team of Jeff Lopez and yours truly were standing by to verify any correct answers. Mark failed miserably as he didn't know his withers from his fetlocks, or his cannon from his chestnuts! Guys, next year save some money by signing up to work the show.

Chairman of the Day **Frank Hill** introduced Thursday's speaker. **John Semcken**, who is a Naval Academy graduate and former F-14 Tomcat pilot, gave a detailed, factual, and sometimes humorous talk on why

