

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



We Serve!

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

- Mar 5 Committees - Blood Drive  
Mar 12 Jim Scheinberg and Brant Griffin - "How the economic changes affect your retirement plans"  
Mar 19 "Who Am I?"  
Mar 26 Dr. John Sudick - "Adventures in India"

### WHITTIER HOST LIONS CLUB

#### Officers 2008-2009

Drew Sones	President
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#### Meetings:

Masonic Temple  
Mar Vista & Greenleaf, Whittier, CA  
Thursday at Noon

11:45 to 1:15 Belongs to our Community

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# THE MAIN LION



WHITTIER HOST LIONS CLUB  
WHITTIER, CALIFORNIA

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## President's Message

By Drew Sones

Hello Whittier  
Host Lions.



Attendance at our Club's Youth Speech Contest was disappointing. However, the Lions that did attend showed our young guests and their mentors what a good rousing meeting the Whittier Host Lions have each Thursday. The subject of the speeches was most interesting: "Water: Will California Be Left High and Dry?" Also, our Chairman of the Day, Jeff Ball, was a former Lions Youth Speech Winner from our Club and participated through three levels of the Contest and ultimately went to the State Finals – his topic was, "What does Freedom Mean?" - a very heavy topic for a young man. He said that the most difficult part of the contest then was that one had to make a 3 minute extemporaneous speech on an unknown topic at the end of one's formal speech. This divided the contestants very quickly.

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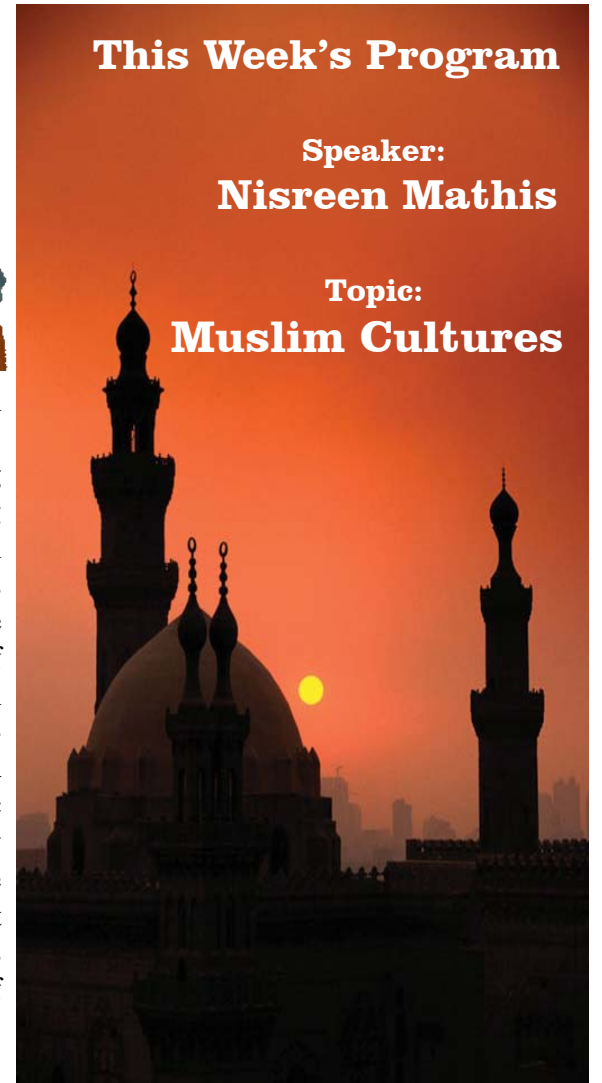
## This Week's Program

Speaker:

**Nisreen Mathis**

Topic:

**Muslim Cultures**



## President's Message continued

Speaking of Jeff Ball, he will be the program for the Whittier Rotary Club this Friday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at noon at the Radisson. I pledge to be there to support Jeff and I wonder who else from our Club will also attend in support of our own Lion (even though he is a banker)? Let Jeff know you will be attending so he can forewarn his hosts.

Sight for Kids is only 5 weeks away and ticket sales are lagging along with silent and live auction items. I have taken on the challenge to come up with 3 silent auction items and one is already in my hands. I urge all our members to do the same – it's fun to make up your own goody basket and donate it as a silent auction item. Just let Lion Rich Casford know what you will do and he will add it to the listing of the auction items in the program along with your name as the donor!

See you next week.

*Lion Drew*



# Sight for Kids Update



We are five weeks away from our 13th Annual Sight for Kids Event on March 28, 2009. **WE NEED AUCTION ITEMS!** We also need items that will appeal to the ladies (us guys already know how to bid on tool sets!) If each member of the Club donated one auction item we would have over 140 items to auction off!

Please get Auction Items to Whittier Mailing Service ASAP so we can get them cataloged into the computer.

Also if you have sold tickets, please return the stubs and payment to Club on Thursday or drop them off at my office. We need to input your guests' names into the computer so when they arrive at the event they may receive express check-in at the door. If you have any questions please contact me.

*Lion Rich Casford, 2009 Sight for Kids Etc Co-Chairman, Whittier Mailing Service Inc,  
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← Congratulations WHITTIER HOST for state level honor!





# HEARD AT CLUB

By Doug Halliday

On February 19, 2009

Thursday's meeting featured our annual student speakers' contest. We had

two delightful young ladies who spoke on the subject "Water: Will California Be Left High and Dry?" The winner, **Justina Labyan** from Whittier High, was presented with a check for \$30 and the chance to compete at the next level in District 4-L2. **Justina Baraza** hailing from Pioneer won \$25. Contest moderator **Lion Jeff Ball** introduced our distinguished guest judges. They were **Andrea Rehns** from Whittier College, **Todd Lewis** of Biola, and **Manuel Baca** of Rio Hondo College.



**Doug Lopez** was our Tail Twister of the Day. Those running afoul of Douglas were:

- President **Drew Sones**, and Vice District Governor **Larry Dicus** fined for allowing our Oralingua House Project to fall into second place at the recent Lions Club Project of the Year Competition. The contest was part of the agenda at the state convention held last week in Fresno. Doug, being the hard working coordinator on our recently completed Oralingua project, was completely unbiased in fining them. Yeah, right!



- **Wes Romberger** was nailed for giving an "off the cuff" invocation at the start of the meeting. Wes went over the lines of good taste by asking for a second "give me a hallelujah," during his prayer. One was fine, but two...
- NEWS Flash! **Larry Dicus** fined a second time. This time for setting up a meeting of key Whittier Host Lions Club members with International Lions President **Al Brandel** at the Fresno Convention, and then not showing up himself.
- **Bill Beach** was asked to contribute to the cause for "double clutching" at the start of the flag salute he was leading. It starts, Bill, with "I pledge allegiance..."



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# HEARD AT CLUB PART TWO



- **Lane Anderson** hit for being one of the most powerful men in Whittier.
- **Monte Wicker** for wearing the same old windbreaker to Club.
- **Hubert Perry** fined for becoming ill at Presbyterian Intercommunity Hospital's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration. Hubert, you were in the right spot at the right time!
- **Mark Scott** for being a President Obama look alike. No joke, there is a resemblance.
- **Doug Rowan** fined for being a financial advisor. Doug reported that 35% of his company's investments are in cash, and that those seem to be doing well!
- **Steve Nichols**, winner of the kiss up award for asking Lion International President **Al Brandel's** wife to dance at the state convention.



We welcomed **Erick Gericfen** as a guest of **Larry Dicus** today.  
That's about it. I'll see you all next week at Club.  
- Doug Halliday

