

Whittier Host Lions Club
P. O. Box 245
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We Serve!

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

- Jan. 22 NO MEETING: Horse Show
- Jan. 29 Regular Club Meeting at Masonic Temple 11:45 am
- Feb. 5 Committee Meetings
- Feb. 13 (Friday) EVENING MEETING Valentine's Celebration - Evening of Broadway Show Hits - Whittier College

WHITTIER HOST LIONS CLUB

Officers 2008-2009

Drew Sones	President
Al Campano	First Vice President
Jerry Perisho	Second Vice President
Jay Williams	Third Vice President
Larry "Red" Williams	Lion Tamer
Doug Lopez	Tail Twister
Frank Hill	Immediate Past President
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Mac McFarland	Treasurer

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

www.whittierhostlions.org



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President's Message

By Drew Sones

My Fellow Whittier Host Lions,

I am very happy to report that my physical ailment that I suffered on New Years Day is healing very well and by Monday, January 12, 2009, I will be fully operational. Contrary to what you have heard about my ailment there is a huge gaping hole between the truth and fiction as it relates to my affliction.

First, the Red Umbrella had nothing to do with it! Second, I was not engaged in violent physical activity when the malady struck; in fact, I was lounging in front of the TV watching football. Third, the only relationship between the occurrence of the injury and the USC game was the fact that the Doctor performing the laser surgery graduated from USC. Fourth and finally, my injury occurred above the waist not below the waist.

Seriously, my torn retina is healing well and I am so fortunate that my Doctor disrupted his New Year's Holiday and drove for over an hour to see me in his office and perform the surgery immediately. Also I want to thank all the Lions who called, emailed and sent me get well wishes as these helped me through the most boring week I have ever spent waiting for the healing to progress.

As a Lion I know we are committed to helping

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This Week's Program



Presidential Demotion of Frank Hill

Evening Meeting @ Fiesta Hall

12705 Philadelphia St.

(Next to Whittier Historical Museum)
5:30 PM (Tailgate Social at 5:00 PM)

Sign-ups are necessary. Please inform
Red Williams (562-686-8861 or
larry.red.williams@juno.com)

President's Message *continued*

the blind and the visually impaired, but when I was faced with the possibility of my sight being diminished, I, in a very personal way, understood why our work is so very important. It is scary and debilitating and without the proper care my eyesight would have truly been affected. This experience has caused me to focus on the worldwide efforts of Lions International to eliminate and reduce blindness throughout the world. This international effort of the Lions is known as Sight First II and I plan to learn more about the successes of this effort and how we as a Club can participate more fully.

Again thanks for all your prayers and well wishes and I really did miss you Lions.

Lion Drew

(Drew, your Main Lion editor wishes you a speedy and complete healing of your retina!)

**Our next meeting is at 5:30 PM
and not at the Masonic Temple**

**Where to go
for the Horse Show**



For everyone working the horse show, the equestrian area of the L. A. County Fair Grounds/Fairplex is located off White Avenue, Pomona, with an entrance at Gate 12. Jim Johnson will have maps for everyone at the next Club meeting, along with parking passes.

Announcements



Thursday, Jan 15

Evening Meeting @ Fiesta Hall

Presidential Demotion. Come help us properly demote our Immediate Past President, Frank Hill, in the most appropriate manner!! Fiesta Hall is located on Philadelphia St. next to the Whittier Historical Museum. Parking in rear of the Hall. Cost \$15. No Host Bar. **Signups are necessary on our Club Website or call or email Drew** 562 945-4100 or sonesfam@att.net or **Red Williams** 562-686-8861 or larry.red.williams@juno.com) 5:30 PM



Thursday, Jan 22 - Sunday, Jan 25

48th Annual All-Arabian Horse Show

SIGN UPS FOR VARIOUS DUTIES ARE NOW BEING REQUESTED. All assistance is greatly appreciated – From 2 hours, several hours, one day to 4 days. Come join the camaraderie of fellow Lions working together to make it happen! **Signup** on our Club Website or at Club or call or email **Jeff Lopez**, 562 690-5002 or jeff@easyturf.com



Friday, February 13

Evening of Broadway Show Hits

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 from Rogers and Hammerstein to Andrew Lloyd Weber. **Signups are necessary on our Club Website or at Club or call or email President Drew** 562 945-4100 or sonesfam@att.net 5:30PM

I am having an open house/ribbon cutting at my new office! I'd like for any Lion's interested to come down and celebrate with me! There will be light refreshments as well.

Wednesday, January 21, 4-6 pm

The Law Offices of Lion Aaron M. Ellis
7008 Bright Avenue
Whittier, California 90602





HEARD AT CLUB

By Doug Halliday

On January 8, 2009

The first meeting of the New Year started off with First Vice President **Al Campano** at the helm. President **Drew Sones** was laid low on New Years Day with a torn retina, (ouch!) and under doctor's orders to remain at home. I talked to him early in the week. He said he wasn't doing anything strenuous, just watching the Rose Bowl Game on TV when it happened. Hold the fort! That explains everything! A former UCLA football player watching USC have its way with Penn State on the Bruin's home field was obviously just too much stress and pressure! Drew says that he should be back to full speed by the middle of next week.

We were honored to have a contingent of Montebello Lions with us. They were there to support **Sally Torres** in her candidacy for First Vice District Governor. Those joining Sally were **Marie Elena Martinez**, **PDG Bill Walters** and **Dan Skewes**.

After singing "God Bless America," "Auld Lang Syne," and "Quaker Town," and then an invocation from **Bill Lenihan**, we were down to business! Our guests today were **Jayson Landes** who was with us at the invitation of **Dave Williamson**, **Joseph Harrington** guest of **Dan Duran**, **Nash Ream** was present with **Aaron Ellis**, and **Xavier Amaya** invited **Mario Enzo** to Club.



Oscar Narro, audiologist to the stars, was our Lion of the Day. Lion Oscar, a California native son, was born and

raised in East L.A. He has been a Whittier Host Lion for 18 years. Married to wife Laurie for 25 years they have two children. A son majoring in music at Cal Poly Pomona, and a daughter who is a sophomore at South Pasadena High School. Oscar is a partner in the Whittier Hearing Center. An avid Lakers fan, Oscar enjoys the brotherhood and fun that the Whittier Host Lions Club affords.

We had two welfare notes. **Mike James'** father is recovering from cancer surgery, and **Sid Siddoway** has not been well.

Manpower sign ups are needed for the Club's 48th Annual Arabian Horse Show to be held January 22nd through the 25th at Fairplex in Pomona. The fastest way to sign up is on our web site. The email address is: www.whittierhostlions.org Come on out to Fairplex and spend some time getting close to your equine side!

Jeff Lopez, Horse Show Chair



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HEARD AT CLUB PART TWO

Eric "The Machine Gun" **Day** was Thursday's Tail Twister. After some serious discussion on whether the nature of President Drew's medical malady was a retina or rectum failure Eric got down to business. In rapid order the "Machine Gun" dispatched and fined the following:

- Immediate Past President **Frank Hill** for not training First Vice President **Al Campano** in the art of running a meeting. Hold on Eric, Al did just fine!
- Immediate Past President **Frank Hill** for giving wife Faye an "Old Woody" for Christmas. Stop! Take a breath! It was a car! Frank gave Faye a 1950's Buick Station Wagon replete with wood trim as a Christmas gift. Hence the name Woody. And you thought.....!
- **Red Williams** and **Mac McFarland** for sidebars they were having during the Machine Gun's ever-serious twisting session.

• Never a fine for good news! **Bill Wood** announced that he is engaged to **Jan Lopez**. So this means Doug and Jeff Lopez, Jan's sons, will be Bill's stepsons. Bill's son Don will be half brother to Doug and Jeff. Brother-in-law Jerry Perisho will be stepson-in-law to Bill and half brother-in-law to Don. Enough! My brain hurts!

- **Chris George** nailed for putting an electronically controlled whoopee cushion in the podium several meetings back. Sorry I missed that one.
- All members who worked on the Oralingua House were fined \$2.
- Okie **Jay Williams** fined for supporting the Florida Gators in the BCS Bowl. Jay's "Wanted Dead or Alive" picture is now up on the wall of every Post Office in the State of Oklahoma.
- Fined for their birthdays were **Dr. Julius Gray** (73) and **Don Pappe** (64). **Bill Lenihan** presented a check to Club on the occasion of his and wife Joanie's 45th wedding anniversary.



Committee meetings were on the agenda for the rest of Thursday's meeting.

That's about it. I'll see you all next week at Club.

- Doug Halliday



New Year's Thought: **George Williams** read the four desirable characteristics of a good woman.