

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

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

- Nov. 15 All-Arabian Horse Show Presentation
by Drew Sones and Cal Bryant
- Nov. 22 THANKSGIVING - No Meeting
- Nov. 29 La Serna High School Choir;
Chairman of the Day Chris George
- Dec. 6 "This is your life, Ed McClean"
- Dec. 13 Cal High Jazz Band;
Chairman of the Day Rich Casford
- Dec. 20 Who Am I?
- Dec. 27 No Meeting; Holidays

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
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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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WHITTIER HOST LIONS CLUB
WHITTIER, CALIFORNIA

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President's Message

By Frank Hill



Fellow Lions,

As President, one of my main challenges is the balance between asking for assistance for the Club and not being a pest. I'm constantly cajoling, co-ercing, and pleading, trying to get you guys to volunteer for one of our projects or to write a check to help us with some of our charities. I try not to be a nag. After all, most of us are married and, if we want to be nagged, we can skip Thursday at Club and stay at home with the old lady. This week's missive is about one of our own who stepped up when I put out the call and just delivered for all of us.

I know he doesn't look like much, but Lion Ben Greer is a stud. A few months back, I put out the call from the podium that we needed a new Blood Bank Chairman after our reigning needle sticker, Jay Williams, was taking on more Club responsibilities with Sight for Kids and chairing our newly created Membership Resources Committee. For a few weeks in a row, I kept asking for a new Count Dracula. After one of our Thursday meetings, Lion Ben

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This Week's Program



Joining
ex-planet PLUTO,
RON COPLEY
gets **DEMOTED**

Chairman of the Day
Larry Dicus


President's Message (continued)

Greer discreetly approached me and said, "I've always been strangely aroused by vampire movies." Ben went on to say, "Just hearing words like serum, plasma, and corpuscle makes my toes tingle." I quickly changed the topic, but I knew we had our man.

The blood donation center at Presbyterian Intercommunity Hospital is named after one of our Whittier Host Lions, John Grubb. We have had a long and distinguished history of donating the gift of life. With new Lion Damon Williams working there, we will keep the blood drives alive. Three of our fellow Lions: Drew Sones, Chris George and Leon Lesa are prized donors because they have special blood without antibodies that can be given to newborn infants and they have been especially vigilant in their donations. The fact that Drew, Chris and Leon are some sort of freakish mutants does not surprise those of us in the Club.

Under the leadership of our new Blood Bank Chairman, Lion Ben Greer, our last event was a huge success. The USC vs. UCLA theme was a great idea. It could lead to other blood drives such as: Republicans vs. Democrats; Dodger fans vs. Angel fans; the entire Lions Club vs. Attorneys. As President and resident pest, Ben's willingness to step up and fill a vacuum is much appreciated. For Ben to tackle his assignment with vigor and imagination epitomizes what makes us a growing and vibrant organization. Thanks Ben, you made a difference.

Your Whittier Host Lions Intergalactic World Leader, *Frank*




"Killian School [Rowland Unified School District] is a special place where the entire staff deeply cares about our students. Killian is a place where dreams can become a reality. Learning opens us all to new ideas, new ways of seeing things, and new possibilities. We are very proud of our students, our entire staff, and our supportive parents. Join us as we 'capture the mondo waves of knowledge' and continue to grow in Community of Caring values."

-- Killian Principal Susan Halliday

Secretary Spellings announced the **2007 No Child Left Behind - Blue Ribbon Schools** on October 2. The ceremony will be held in Washington, DC, on November 12-13. Two people from each school, the principal and a teacher, will be invited to the ceremony, where the schools will receive a plaque and a flag signifying their NCLB-Blue Ribbon School status.

HEARD AT CLUB (part 3) continued. . . .
 . . . that's about it. I'll see you the week after next. I'm off to Washington DC. I'll be tagging along with my wife, **Susan**, to watch her receive the National Blue Ribbon Award. She's receiving the award on behalf of the students and staff of her elementary school from the Secretary of Education.



Lion Doug Halliday



Jay Green

Mitch Carty



Damon Williams

Bill Beach

Jose Cartin, Jr.

Robert Coleman

Bill McFarland

Mike Abbate

Aaron Ellis

Daniel Diaz

Lion Lyle Nelson organized a wonderful evening of food, fellowship and information for our new members and their sponsors. Over 30 members, along with District Governor Mike Brassard and Bea Proo, District Newsletter editor, attended the event.



Continued HEARD AT CLUB part 2



Coming out of *Trader Joe's*, Dave came face to face with his fellow Lions who were in complete uniform of the day (hats, shirts, and vests), and were working the customers on behalf of the blind. The light bulb then came on. Dave...Dave...Dave.



Former of crude oil, but he It seems a friend in-gary to Vancouver on **Carolyn.** Mac's



Traveling guys respective trips to Williamsburg, Virginia (family vacation).

oilman **Mac McFarland** wasn't fined for the high price was fined for a recent Canadian railroad adventure. vited twenty-six of his friends for a rail trip from Cal-a vintage train. Among them were Mac and his wife friend footed the bill so Mac got to pay at Club.

Chris George and **Larry Dicus** were fined for South Bend, Indiana (USC vs. Notre Dame), and

Oscar asked all of the *Whittier College* alums to stand and deliver. Seems the students at *Whittier College* elected two female students as the "King and Queen of the Poets" for their Home Coming celebrations. Hey! What's going on here!



While on the subject of alumni, Oscar said he had recently read about a *Whittier High School* graduate who donated \$100,000 worth of Google stock to WHS. He ask all Whittier High grads present to stand and donate to our cause.



Faye Hill was reported to have dressed up on Halloween as Leona Helmsley, the Queen of Mean. Faye got to wear the costume, but husband **Frank** got to pay the fine. Lion President Frank, I thought only the little people paid fines!

The big football game around here on the last weekend before Halloween was Cal Hi vs. La Serna. Cal won so Oscar had all of the Cal Hi grads at Club stand and chip into the fund. That's the cost of victory, all of you Condors!

Sadly, you will remember that **Oscar** lost his mom last month. So in a tribute to mothers, Oscar ask all members who's mothers are still living to donate \$5.00. He then asked them to call their moms as soon as they left Club. I only wish I could still do that.



Finally, Frank asked Blood Drive Chairman **Ben Greer** to join him at the podium. They went behind the stage curtain and came back with the "results of the UCLA vs. USC Blood Drive." Representing UCLA was a 5-gallon water bottle filled with "Bruin Plasma." In comparison, Frank, wearing a UCLA sweatshirt, held a quart jug of a pale yellow fluid representing the USC contribution. Were the Trojans confused? Were they in the backroom doing drug testing instead of blood donating? I'm not sure about that one!

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"...that they may listen and talk!"

an oral school for hearing impaired children

WHITTIER HOST LIONS CLUB WORK DAY

AT THE
ORALINGUA SCHOOL
FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17 - 8AM TO 12PM

ST. MATTHIAS CHURCH
CORNER OF WASHINGTON AVENUE AND WARDMAN
STREET, UPTOWN WHITTIER

WHITTIER HOST LIONS ARE PROVIDING \$45,000 WORTH OF
NEW PLAY SURFACES, A PLAY CANOPY AND STORAGE UNITS

WE WILL BE PAINTING EXISTING PLAY EQUIPMENT, MOVING A
CLUBHOUSE AND PREPARING THE YARD FOR THE NEW SURFACE

BRING A PAIR OF WORK GLOVES, A SHOVEL, AND WEAR SOME
NASTY OLD CLOTHES AND WE'LL HAVE ALL THE PAINT,
BRUSHES, SUPPLIES, DONUTS AND BEER YOU'LL NEED.

WE NEED 20 LIONS AND WE'LL GET THIS DONE IN A FEW HOURS

CALL FRANK HILL @562-972-7858 TO RSVP





**The
gift of blood
IS
the gift
of life.**

Thanks for Donating Blood

Leighton Anderson, Bill Beach, Jose Cartin,
Vince Daigneault, Mike Dickerson, Daniel Duran,
Aaron Ellis, Chris George, Lociano Gomez,
Tom Ghysels, Jay Green, Ben Greer, Frank Hill,
Faye Hill, Del Hovden, James Johnson, Leon Lesa,
Jeff Lopez, Andrew Martin, Oscar Narro, Lyle Nelson, Steve
Nichols, Patrick Shade, Drew Sones, Peter Tisei, and Larry Williams.

*A big thank you to Blood Drive Chairman Ben Greer and PIH
staff for making this in-house drive so successful!!*

HEARD AT CLUB By Doug Halliday

On November 1, 2007

Usually most of the action at our meetings takes place in the main room of the Masonic Temple. However, last Thursday it was all in the backroom. It was “Blood Drive Thursday” with the fans and alumni of the Trojans of USC versus the UCLA Bruins. The aim was to see which school could donate the most blood to Presbyterian Intercommunity Hospital. So, while the guys were in the back pumping out the gift of life the rest of us were in the main room pumping



out the first two versus of “America” as well as the flag salute. Our musical maestro, **Wayne Martin**, wasn’t with us so we had to go through the musical part of the program a cappella. However, song leaders **Dave Dickerson, Bill Beach, Larry Dicus, Red Williams, Monte, Eddie and Mac** did yeoman duty and guided us safely down the musical road. Lion Second Vice President and Whittier’s own cigar czar, **Al Campano** gave the invocation.

Lion Tamer **Doug Lopez** called for the introduction of guests. With us on Thursday was **Faye Hill**, wife of our esteemed leader **Frank Hill**. Also present was **Pete Tisei** who came as the guest of **Lyle Nelson**, and **Drew Martin** who was the guest of **Del Hovden**. It’s great to report that all of these fine folks gave blood.



Our **Lion of the Day** was none other than our ever-stalwart Secretary, **Oliver “Rambo” Wyman**. Oliver, a native of San Francisco, was born sometime after the great quake of “06”! An outstanding product of Galileo High School he moved down the San Francisco Peninsula after graduating to attend Leland Stanford Jr. University. Obtaining his BA in Political Science from Stanford, Oliver’s next stop was Harvard Yard and it’s famous law school. After military service in WWII Oliver came back to California to practice law in Los Angeles and Whittier. For his entire legal career Oliver specialized in providing legal consul for a customer base that had “deep pockets and was in big trouble!” As we well know Oliver has been our unflappable secretary for the last several years. It’s a position for which he has been honored with a Lion Service Award. A grandfather, Oliver also has two great grand children.



Oscar Narro was Thursday’s Tail Twister. **Lion Damon William**, who is PIH’s Blood Donation Center Manager, had his troops out in force for us on Thursday. However, Oscar didn’t like the looks of the “ratty ice chest” the PIH crew was using for storage. So Damon took the hit. **Mitch Carty** was also fined, but just for being a new member. Welcome aboard Mitch!



This is classic! **Dave Dickerson** was fined for not showing up for his duty assignment on White Cane Day. Seems his wife **Marianne** sent Dave to the store Saturday.

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