

# MAIN LION

## FIREWORKS STAND NEEDS YOU **NOW** *IT'S TIME TO STEP UP AND DO YOUR PART*

Fireworks Committee Chair Greg Williams asks that you **sign up TODAY** to sell fireworks during the week leading up to the 4th of July. One hundred percent of the net revenues from the fireworks stand go to our Memorial Scholarship Fund. **Sign up at the next club meeting or contact Greg at [wtreedude@aol.com](mailto:wtreedude@aol.com) or call him at 562 755 2400.**

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE, AL CAMPANO *FINAL THOUGHTS AS YOUR PRESIDENT*



Fellow Lions, I will be taking my family on a much-anticipated vacation next week, so on the 24<sup>th</sup> of June I will not have the pleasure of running the final regular meeting of my presidency. With that reality in mind, I want to take this opportunity to reflect on the past year at the Whittier Host Lions Club and to express my gratitude.

I am extremely proud of the things we have accomplished during my term as your president. We have continued to attract strong new members to the club. Membership is this organization's life blood. If we allow our numbers to decline, our

positive impact on the community will similarly decline. Let's keep this great Lions Club growing!

Our fund raising efforts have been magnificent. In the midst of the harshest economic times this country has seen in the last 80 years, we continue to raise money through our multiple fund raising efforts. There is just one reason we have had this success; give credit to your hard work.

Your board of directors takes the job of running this organization very seriously. It is with this focused attitude that good decisions were made every month on how our Service Fund money would be distributed. While not every request was approved, nor every vote unanimous, this board dedicated itself to representing you well and took their responsibilities to heart.

This club had a tremendous impact on the community during the past 12 months

through the countless efforts that we simply take for granted. Among them are Flag Day presentations, our Red Ribbon Week efforts, our Student Speakers competition, ongoing blood drives, the Relay For Life cancer walk, student scholarships and much more. Please know that the recipients of your kindness NEVER take your efforts for granted.

Thank you for being a wonderful team to lead, my fellow Lions. You have made my year a joy.

And, certainly I want to thank my wife and my kids for their patience as I tended to Lions Club business.

I will see you in July as we start yet another great year in Lionism with the Whittier Host Lions Club. Thank you all for allowing me to be your president.

The Whittier Host Lions Club was chartered in May, 1922. It is 155 members strong. The Club's mission is to care for youth, the hearing-impaired, the visually-impaired and those in need in the greater Whittier area. In the past 5 fiscal years, the Club has donated nearly \$600,000 to worthy organizations and/or individuals. Organizations supported include Presbyterian Intercommunity Hospital, the Boys & Girls Club of Whittier, the YMCA of Greater Whittier, and Oralingua School for hearing-impaired children.

### Officers

President	Al Campano
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### Directors

Ruben Armienta  
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Chris George  
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### Mailing Address

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### Meetings

Club meetings are on Thursdays at 11:45am at the Radisson Hotel in uptown Whittier

### Website

[www.whittierhostlions.org](http://www.whittierhostlions.org)



## WHITTIER HOST LIONS CLUB

### LAST WEEK: JUNE 17, 2010 WHY A CANCELLED MEETING?

Running the Whittier Host Lions Club is much like running any other business. We are always working hard to maximize our revenues, while minimizing our operating expenses. It is with this very thought in mind that the leadership of the club chose to cancel the evening meeting of June 17.

Here is the dilemma we faced early that week. On Monday, June 14, we knew we would need to give our caterer an estimated head

count for the Thursday evening meeting. But, we also knew that if the Lakers won their basketball game on Tuesday, June 15, the NBA championship would be played on the night of the evening meeting, June 17. We would have been faced with taking a substantial loss because of the resulting poor attendance. As we cancelled the night meeting, we knew that the Radisson was not planning for us to be there during the day, so we chose to "go dark" that day.

Running a business well also requires good communication. We made every effort to communicate our decisions with each club member. A special insert was included in newsletters that were mailed, and those of you with email accounts were notified of the cancellation multiple times.

We know the cancellation of a meeting is a disappointment to many and an inconvenience to a few. We are sorry some of you may have

felt this way. But, it is through sound and thoughtful financial management that we are able to hold down your annual dues and to keep tail twister fines at a minimum.

We have received numerous congratulatory messages regarding the decision to cancel the June 17 meeting and the manner in which the message was communicated. We thank you all for your cooperation and understanding.



## CONGRATULATIONS LION LARRY DICUS

A hearty Whittier Host Lions Club congratulations to our own Past President and current District Governor Larry Dicus on being selected **Council Chair for Multiple District 4, Calif.** Larry continues to be a quality leader in Lionism. Once again, congratulations, Larry!

## PROGRAM FOR JUNE 24, 2010 - JUDGE MAGGIE BERNAL

Judge Maggie Bernal will be our guest speaker, this week. A longtime friend of the Lions Club, it was a tribute to Maggie's father, Lion Keith Miller, that was the driving

force behind the creation of our own Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Maggie will bring us up to date on how funding cuts at

the county level affect the L.A. County court system.

Come and visit with our friend Maggie Bernal.



*"Those who expect to reap the blessings of freedom, must, like men, undergo the fatigue of supporting it."*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS JULY 8

Our high school student scholarship recipients will be our Club program on Thursday, July 8. Always a great program, please plan to attend and to meet these future leaders, their parents and their teachers.

### PLAN AHEAD FOR JULY 15

On July 15, our regular Thursday meeting will be held at Parnell Park, where we will dedicate the structures built by our club to protect the animals living there. The City of Whittier will provide hot dogs and soft drinks for lunch.

### AUGUST PROGRAMS

Watch this column for announcements about the great programs coming in August. We'll have an evening meeting featuring high school football and a day meeting at Presbyterian Intercommunity Hospital. If you have ideas for new programs, contact Program Chairmen Jeff Ball and Tom Ghysels.