



# The Rotagram

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## The Rotary Club of Whittier Presents

December 5, 2008

***Tom Nolan, Marine Biologist  
JPL- Earth Climate Changes***

December 12, 2008

***Club Business: New Member Inductions &  
Perfect Attendance Awards***

*Meetings are Fridays at 12:10 pm  
Radisson Hotel, 7320 South Greenleaf in Whittier, California*

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**Rotary Club Meeting #20**  
**December 5, 2008**  
Whittier, California, USA

**Opening:** **President RD** rang the bell at 12:20 and another great meeting of the Whittier Rotary Club began.

**Pledge:** Long-time member **Dave Hasle** was in town and cheerfully led us in the pledge.

**Invocation:** **Father Bradley** encouraged us to “sing through our grief”, and to make the most of the Christmas holiday.

**Song:** Even in Southern California, we can enjoy a chorus of “Jingle Bells” today.

**Four Way Test:** **Ke Dialani** led us in reciting the 4-Way Test as we seek to remember this vital commitment we make as Rotarians. Let us continue to reach to this goal: not only memorize it, but apply in “all that we think, say and do...”

**Introductions of Guests and Visiting Rotarians:**

**Visiting Rotarians:** *Our favorite regular visitor Bill Zastro was with us today*

**Guests of Rotarians:** *None Today*

**Rotarian Milestones**

Birthdays: *Mike Ely on December 8<sup>th</sup>, Dave Pickard III on December 10<sup>th</sup>.*

Anniversaries:

Rotary Anniversaries: *Jack Marino celebrates 22 years on December 5<sup>th</sup>.*

**Announcements**

**Annual Christmas Party** is scheduled for Sunday night, December 21<sup>st</sup> at the Friendly Hills Country Club. Members should have received their invitations in the mail, and need to RSVP to Maria Segovia. The whole family is encouraged to attend.

**Community Services Committee** will meet on December 9<sup>th</sup>, 11:30a-1:00pm to review its organization and purposes. Contact Ted Knolls for more information.

One of last year’s Rotary Speech Contestants **Stephanie Cuevas** is now a Yale University student. After receiving superior grades in Greek Studies, she has been recommended to be an intern in Greece next summer with a team from Yale.

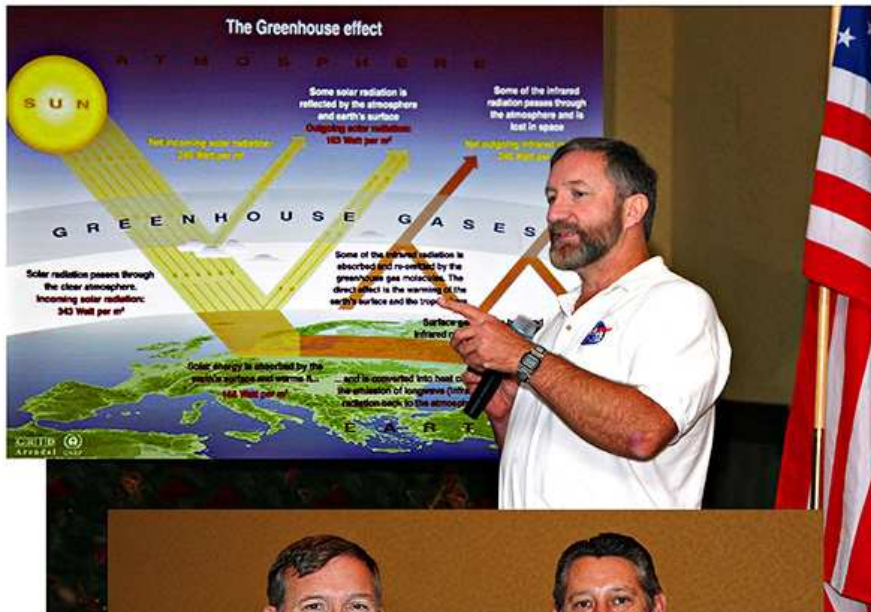
## Recognitions

**Dave Hasle** reported on his involvement in two Rotary Clubs in Tillamook and Wheeler, OR. He also shared about his wife's travels and his son's new venture into "honey-wine". **Maria Segovia** was recognized for the enthusiastic job she did as today's greeter. **Joe Baima** reported and was recognized for his Thanksgiving at Lake Arrowhead.



**Program for Today**  
***Tom Nolan, Marine Biologist***  
***JPL- Earth Climate Changes***

Tom Nolan was introduced by club member Gary Pirnat. Tom is a Marine Biologist with JPL and is a popular speaker in the area of the Earth's Climate Change. This is a title he prefers over the more controversial title Global Warming. He shared about his new satellite instrument, a "Carbon Dioxide Observatory" which will measure the amount of CO<sup>2</sup> being exhausted from



very specific locations. He presented a variety of data which confirms that the amount of CO<sup>2</sup> in the Earth's atmosphere is increasing rapidly, but cautioned the club that we don't fully know the cyclical nature of this increase, nor can we be certain that the increase is caused specifically by humans. Nevertheless, we all need to conserve where we can. Regardless of the cause, the estimate is that we have 90 years to affect a decrease or the increasing CO<sup>2</sup> will be beyond our power to control.

Tom also took questions on the effects of sonar on sea life and other marine topics.

**Thank You's:** RD thanked Tom with a certificate to be placed in a book, which will be donated to a local Whittier School library. Our greeter and guests were also thanked.

**A Closing Thought for the Week:** "Keep one foot on the curb, and look both ways before crossing the street."  
-- RD's Uncle Bob

**Next Week's Program:** Be here to greet Cesar Chatel our newest member, and to acknowledge our members with Perfect Attendance.

**Closing Bell:** The topic of today's meeting kept our full attention right up till 1:40 when the meeting was adjourned.

# The Secretary's Corner

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

### December


12 Club Business

19 Replaced by Club Christmas Party on 12/21. RSVP with Maria Segovia

26 DARK – Merry Christmas

### January

2 DARK – Happy New Year

<b>MAKEUP LOCATIONS</b>			
<b>MONDAY:</b>	<b>Anaheim</b> – 12 noon Diamond Club, Edison Field 2000 Gene Autry Way 714-940-2000	<b>Cerritos</b> – 12 noon Hometown Buffet 11471 South Street 562-402-8307	<b>Norwalk</b> – 12 noon Norwalk Marriott Hotel 1311 Sycamore Drive 562-863-5555
<b>TUESDAY:</b>	<b>East Los Angeles</b> – 12:10 PM Tamayo Restaurant 5300 E. Olympic Blvd. 323-260-4700	<b>Whittier Sunrise</b> - 7:15AM Friendly Hills Country Club 8500 S. Villa Verde 562-698-0331	<b>Santa Fe Springs</b> – 12 noon Candlewood Country Club 14000 E. Telegraph Rd. 562-941-1228
<b>WEDNESDAY:</b>	<b>La Mirada</b> - 12:10 PM Candlewood Country Club 14000 E. Telegraph Rd. 562-941-1228	<b>Fullerton</b> – 12 noon Terrace Room, Hope Intn'l Univ. 2555 E. Chapman 714-879-3901	<b>Montebello</b> - 12:10 PM Montebello Country Club 901 Via Clemente 323-724-4500
<b>THURSDAY:</b>	<b>La Habra</b> – 12:10 PM Hacienda Golf Club East Rd., La Habra 562-694-1081	<b>Pico Rivera</b> -12:10 PM Dal Rae Restaurant 9023 E. Washington Blvd. 562-949-2444	<b>South El Monte</b> – 12 Noon Pepe's 11740 Valley Blvd 626-401-1599
<b>RECENT MAKE-UPS BY MEMBERS</b> Dave Hasle reported make-ups in Oregon Rotary Clubs of Tillamook and North Tillamook.			
ROTARY CLUB OF WHITTIER BOX 753, WHITTIER, CA 90608  Meets Friday – 12:10 p.m. Radisson Hotel 7320 So. Greenleaf Whittier, CA			
<b>Rotary's Four-Way Test:</b>		Is it the truth? Is it fair to all concerned? Will it build good will and better friendships? Will it be beneficial to all concerned?	

