



# The Rotagram

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## The Rotary Club of Whittier Presents

Today's Program  
***Julio Cesar Chatel***  
***Craft Talk***

February 6, 2009  
***Dr. William Stimmler***  
***Bright Health Physicians***

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

2007-2008 OFFICERS: R. D. McDonnell, President; Jeff Nickell, Vice President; Rob Settlege, Past President; Ted Zwemer, Secretary; Jim Howard, Secretary-Computer Records; Gary Pirnat, Treasurer		
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**Rotary Club Meeting #27**  
**January 30, 2009**  
Whittier, California, USA

**Opening:** President RD rang the bell at 12:20 and the weekly meeting of the Whittier Rotary club was called to order.

**Pledge:** Kenton Woods led the members in the pledge to our flag and our country.

**Invocation:** Father Jim Bradley shared a devotional about God's presence in our lives and in the world around us.

**Song:** Ron Rideout led the group in song.

**Four Way Test:** Jim Howard 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:** *Joe Hammer, Assistant District Governor*

**Guests of Rotarians:**

*None*

**Rotarian Milestones**

**Birthdays:** *Mark Villalobos on 2/13 Owen Newcomer on 2/13*

**Anniversaries:** *Gary and Michelle Pirnat 2/7/71, 38 years; David and Barbara Pickard, 2/9/57, 52 years; and David and Iris Harris 2/12/83, 26 years*

**Rotary Anniversaries:** *None*

**Announcements**

The 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Silver Shield Awards Banquet honoring our local police officers will be held at the Pacific Palms Resort on Friday, February 20<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm. RSVP to Maria Segovia to sit at the Rotary Club's table.

District 5320 Annual Conference is scheduled for March 26<sup>th</sup> through March 29<sup>th</sup>. We will be co-hosting a hospitality suite with the Buena Park club on Friday night. Any member who attends Saturday's events can get meeting make-up.

**YMCA's Annual Fund Campaign** is now in progress. Many Rotarians have given to this campaign and the **YMCA** is counting our support once again. These funds help offset scholarships and memberships for those members who are in financial need. **Mike Ely** and his team will be looking for you.

**Whittier Sunrise Fundraiser – “Battle of the Bands”**. Area high school jazz bands will be competing on March 6th at Whittier High School. The cost is \$10 per person. Come hear some great music, support the Sunrise Club and their fundraising for local high schools.

**Wake up Whittier** Maria Segovia reminded us of this Chamber function to be held on Feb 11.

**RILA** Dave Pickard announced that we will be sending 4 students from Whittier to attend this leadership conference this year again.

## **Recognitions**

**None.**

## **Special Presentation**

**Marie Perriot and Patty Reyes** from Rose Hills Memorial Park talked about preplanning funeral arrangements. They gave an informative rundown on the options available and showed some pictures illustrating the architecture and the grounds at Rose Hills.

### **Program for Today**

***Julio Cesar Chatel***

***Craft Talk***

Cesar recounted his life highlighting his varied pursuits. Born in Acapulco, he grew up in Pico rivera/Downey. After playing baseball (and hopefully studying a little) at Cal State Los Angeles, Cesar went to work as an accountant with Price Waterhouse and later Ernst and Young. Growing restless, he tried photography, but found his niche when he founded Rebel Crew Films in 1999. The company specializes in Spanish language films, importing and reselling them to major retailers. The company was sold in 2006 and Cesar tried being a stay at home dad, with reportedly mixed results. He joined a production company but recently funding has been lacking and he is once again at home enjoying their new dog while his wife attends law school. He expressed his desire to become better acquainted with Whittier and sees Rotary participation as a vehicle toward that.

**Thank You's:** We thank Cesar for his membership and for his entertaining talk, and we thank Joe Hammer for joining us.

**A Closing Thought for the Week: President RD** offered this quote in closing: “The person who knows how to laugh at himself will never cease to be amused!”

Shirley Maclaine

**Next Week's Program:** Bill Stimmler, M.D., Bright Health Physicians


**Closing Bell:** The meeting was adjourned at 1:40. It was great to have the Soroptimists with us today!

# The Secretary's Corner

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

### February

- 06 Bob Ihlen - Whittier P.D. Chaplains Program
- 13 Brenda Wiewel – Whittier Area Recovery Network
- 20 Vanessa Ivic – PIH Community Benefit Program
- 27 Jeff Nickell – President’s Elect Club Assembly

<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>			
<p>ROTARY CLUB OF WHITTIER BOX 753, WHITTIER, CA 90608</p>  <p>Meets Friday – 12:10 p.m. Radisson Hotel 7320 So. Greenleaf Whittier, CA</p>			
<b>Rotary's Four-Way Test:</b>		<p>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?</p>	