



# The Rotagram

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## The Rotary Club of Whittier Presents

Today's Program  
***Dr. William Stimmler***  
***Bright Health Physicians***

February 20, 2009  
***Club Member – Dr. Ted Zwemer***  
***“Growing up in India”***

*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		
DIRECTORS:	<u>2008/2010</u> Joe Baima Mike Ely Owen Newcomer Mark Villalobos Mike Blackmore	<u>2007/2009</u> Humera Dadabhoy Gary Pirnat Dave Pickard, Sr. Ted Knoll Ted Zwemer
	GOVERNOR, DISTRICT 5320 Roger McGonegal	INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT Dong Kurn Lee



**Rotary Club Meeting #28**  
**February 13, 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:** **Al Hermo**, long-time club member led the members in the pledge to our flag and our country.

**Invocation:** **Father Jim Bradley** shared a devotional and a word of prayer.

**Song:** **Ron Ridout** led the club in singing two verses of “America The Beautiful”.

**Four Way Test:** **Henri Pellisier** 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:** *None*

**Guests of Rotarians:**

- *Pastor Bob Ihler of First Christian Church was the guest of Ted Knoll*
- *Chris Magdosku from the Whittier City Public Works Dept.*

**Rotarian Milestones**

**Birthdays:** *Mark Villalobos and Owen Newcomer both on February 13<sup>th</sup>*

**Anniversaries:** *None*

**Rotary Anniversaries:** *Charlene Dimas-Peinado, 4 years on February 15<sup>th</sup>, and David Pickard III, 20 years on February 17<sup>th</sup>.*

**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.

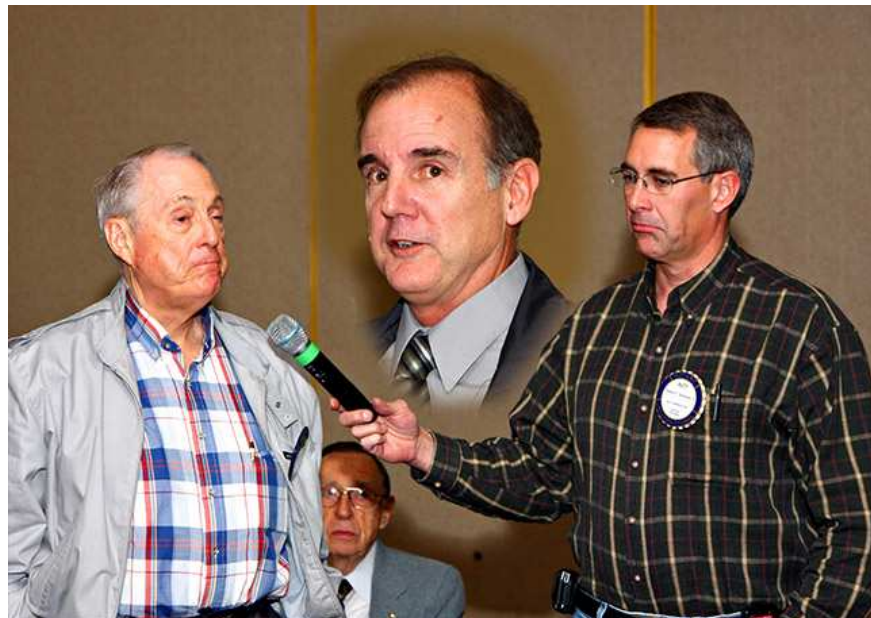
**District 5320 Annual Conference** is scheduled for March 26<sup>th</sup> through March 29<sup>th</sup>. We will be co-hosting a hospitality suite with the Buena Park club on Friday night. Any member who attends Saturday's events can get meeting make-up.

**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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.

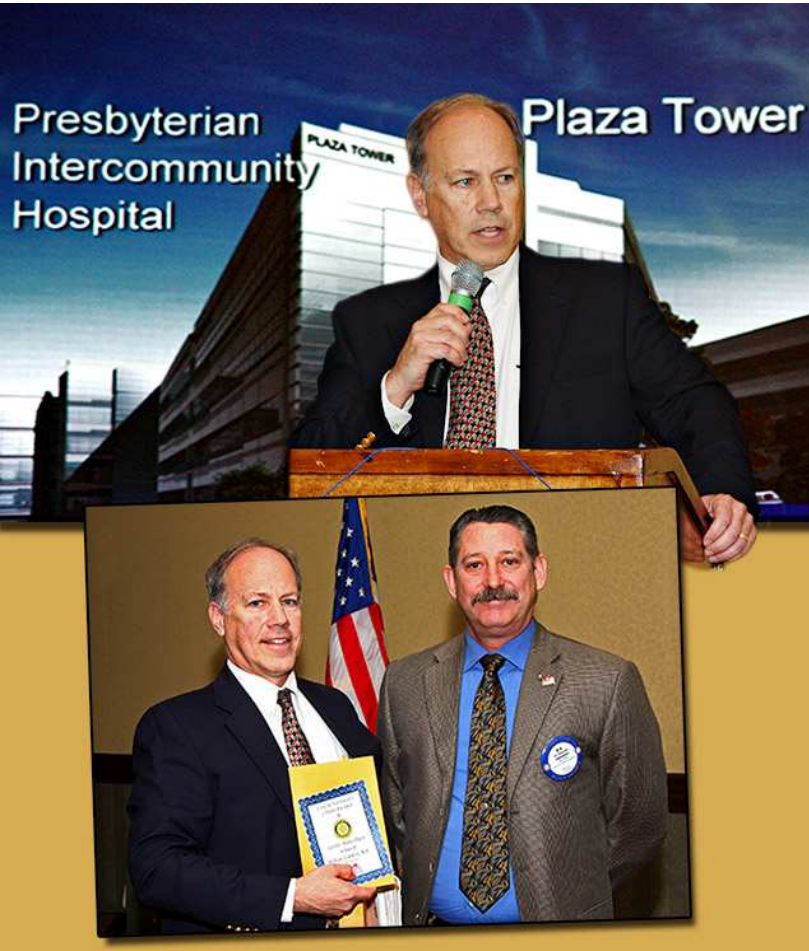
## Recognitions

**Rett Rasmussen** and **President RD** got caught up with club members Dennis Sargent and Jim Howard. Both had stories of recent travels: Dennis went to Canada to visit his son who plays ice hockey; and Jim and his wife went on their 51st cruise, this time to Hawaii to celebrate their 55<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.



**Program for Today**  
***Dr. William Stimmler***

***Bright Health Physicians***



**Ted Zwemer** introduced Dr. William Stimmler the founder and director of Bright Medical Group. Dr. Stimmler opened with the comment, “Medicine is the fast growing, yet failing industry. Unless there is meaningful reform in health care, it will continue to fail at an increasing rate.”

Dr. Stimmler shared that his medical group represents 10 offices with 33 primary care physicians and 32 specialists and long list of support staff. The group also has a partnership with Presbyterian Hospital to give all their patients a fully integrated service. Recently, Bright Medical has implemented electronic medical recordkeeping.

Dr. Stimmler shared about the new construction and future building plans for PIH. With growth in the community and continued advancements of medicine and medical technology, the hospital is growing to meet our community’s needs effectively, while managing costs.

**Thank You’s:** We thank Dr. Stimmler for his interesting talk about his medical group and it’s care of the citizens of Whittier. A certificate signifying this donation was given to him. Thanks were extended to those who helped to make this a successful meeting.

**A Closing Thought for the Week:** “You can’t have everything! Where would you put it?”  
Comedian Steven Wright

**Next Week’s Program:** Our own club member Dr. Ted Zwemer will share what it was like to grow up as a missionary child in India.


**Closing Bell:** The meeting was adjourned at 1:30. Have a good weekend everyone!

The  
Secretary's  
Corner

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

**February**

20 Vanessa Ivic – Dr. Ted Zwemer  
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>	