

# ROTAGRAM

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### RICHARD TRAN

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Richard Tran became Whittier Rotary's newest member on December 19.

Chief Operating Officer for School on Wheels, Richard lives in Whittier with his wife, Christina. They are expecting their first child in April.

Richard's parents are Vietnamese refugees. He earned an M.Ed. from Whittier College. At age 21, he volunteered at an orphanage in Mexico. His sponsor is Whittier Rotary Foundation President Laila Sanchez.

Reverend J. Keith Altig shared slides and experiences from his four years as a missionary along the Amazon River near Belem, Brazil.

Formerly pastor of the First Brethren Church in Uptown Whittier, Rev. Altig spoke to Rotarians about his travels throughout South America.

He particularly was impressed with the people he met and the beautiful environment. On furlough, Rev. Altig was looking forward to returning to Brazil.

### DID YOU KNOW?

More than 1.2 million Rotarians and Rotaractors belong to 46,000 clubs in 221 countries and territories.

### UPCOMING

Friday, Jan 16, 12:10  
Original Roadhouse Grill

Friday, Jan 23, 12:10  
Original Roadhouse Grill

Thursday, Jan 29, 6 pm  
Original Roadhouse Grill

Friday, Feb 20, Noon  
Student Speech Contest  
DoubleTree Hotel

### BIRTHDAYS

Linda Fierro, Feb 2

Owen Newcomer,  
Feb 13

Damoun Rezai, Feb 16

Ramiro Rubalcaba,  
March 10

Jeff Nickell, March 17