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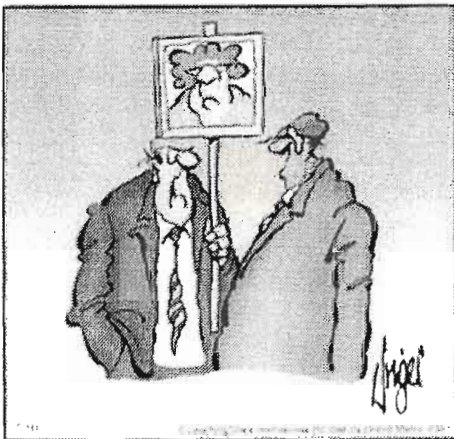
## TODAY'S PROGRAM

**Dr. Shahram Amiri**  
Digital Inclusion

## WHO'S WHO

Greeter: **Leroy Turja**  
Invocation: **Dave Carley**  
Guests: **Bill Fahey**  
Happy Dollars: **Bill Potter**

## HUMOR AND WIT



**"Why should I be the only one to suffer?"**

## TODAY'S MESSAGE

### Rotary Foundation

(contributed by **Craig Corbett**)

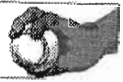
So far, we have done some good groundwork on our new Foundation efforts. As the person responsible for developing our plan, I have established a sub-committee called the Model Initiatives and New Directions Sub-Committee; the MINDS. The sub-committee will meet at Mulligans at noon on Thursdays for lunch. You are all invited to appoint yourself as either a permanent member or an ad hoc member and join the meeting of the MINDS whenever you can. (You can receive meeting attendance make-up credit for attending a committee meeting!) The goal of this sub-committee is to discover and quantify our past participation regarding the Foundation, and then to ascertain and define our new goals and directions with regard to our Club's participation with the Foundation. Even if you cannot come to a meeting, we will want to know your feelings about the Foundation. We will develop ideas and proposals for the Board of Directors and for the general membership to evaluate and adopt.

On Saturday, July 14, 2007, six of our members attended the District Conference on the Rotary Foundation. **Clark Gwinn** spoke to the assembled group about his hopes for the next Group ("Foundation" cont. on pg. 2)

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## TODAY'S SONG

### Take Me Out to the Ball Game



Take me out to the ball game,  
Take me out with the crowd,  
Buy me some peanuts  
and Crackerjack,  
I don't care if I ever get back,  
Let me root, root root for the home  
team, If they don't win it's a shame,  
For it's one, two, three strikes you're  
out, At the old ball game.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

October 13 - Rotary Leadership Institute

November 10-17 - District Conference

**Next Week's Program:**  
**David Johnson**  
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Last week, the editor was out of town but, fortunately, **Potter** recalled a few gems from last week's happy doll: **Errol** gave a music sheet to **Stuart**, with **Stuart** responding that it was way too complex and paid another dollar to have it turned to **Errol**. **Jim Gamble** thanked everyone for the cards and cards he received related to the recent death in his family and **Clark** thanked **Bill Potter** for his work for our Club behind the scenes. (Many thanks to **Bill Potter** for his submittal. Ed.)

**"Foundation"**  
(cont. from pg. 1)

**Study Exchange.** **Sue Easton** attended a workshop on the Foundation's War on Polio, and then attended the balance of **Clark's** workshop on GSE. **Charlie Berg** attended a workshop on leading the Club's Foundation Committee. **Rt. Moncrief**, our President, **Carol Hawkins**, and **Craig Corb** attended the workshop on grants.

Our Club has \$2,040 available for an international project. The minimum grant is \$5,000, so for us to use our Foundation grant money this year, we will have to partner with another club to provide the monies to another club's project. Last year, we contributed our funds toward a project put together by the Downtown Orlando club which provided monies for use in China. We are looking into opportunities for the coming year, and will report on them before December 1, 2007.

We will periodically present information regarding the Foundation at our weekly meetings. We are looking to put together at least a three-year plan so that we can be more intentional in our participation. We need your input! Please join us at the meeting of the MINDS when you can, and e-mail your ideas and thoughts to [craig@corbettlaw.org](mailto:craig@corbettlaw.org).

## LAST WEEK'S MEETING

Last week, former Seminole County Judge Fred Hitt, also a former member of this Club, generously gave us part of his day and spoke to us about his book, *Wekiva Winter*. Fred and his wife, Linda, brought books and a small replica (made by Linda) of a totem pole found near their home on the St. John's River. Fred spoke of his career in journalism and law and said, once he retired from the bench, that he then had time to return to his first love, writing.

Fred became interested in the Timucua Indians, a tribe which had been in this area for perhaps as long as 7,500 years before the Spaniards arrived. He began researching the history for his book and his work took him to libraries, other books, and to an overgrown deserted structure, where he said all sorts of snakes and other denizens reside.

The book has received various awards and good reviews. He had a historian read it in manuscript form for historical accuracy. Although the book is a novel, Fred wanted the historical references to be correct, no doubt true to his journalism roots. Once he had the critique from the historian, Fred rewrote the book, and the finished product as rewritten. Linda designed and painted the cover artwork, which also shows the totem.

He and several members of the Club shared memories of Fred's club participation, including the return trip home from Shands Teaching Hospital following his heart transplant surgery in 1990. (Many thanks to **Craig Corbett** for his submittal of this week's, "Last Week" column. Ed.)

## President Wilkinson Shows the World that Rotary Shares

Wilfrid J. Wilkinson, 2007-08 RI president, has launched the new Rotary year as the year to "say yes to Rotary." The RI theme, *Rotary Shares*, is a reflection of his commitment to share Rotary with others through service and recruiting new members. Wilkinson, a member of the Rotary Club of Trenton, Ontario, Canada, sees the concept of sharing as a motivating force behind Rotary work. "In choosing this theme, I thought about how much of Rotary is about sharing. We share our time, we share our talents, we share our money with others who need our help," he told incoming district governors at the 2007 International Assembly in February. "In Rotary, sharing doesn't mean giving away what you have to spare, what you don't need for yourself," he explained. "Sharing means giving of yourself, selflessly, for the good of others." Wilkinson has chosen to continue ("Wilkinson" cont. on pg. 4)

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immediate past president Bill Boyd’s emphases of water, health and hunger, literacy, and family of Rotary. In a time of dwindling participation in service organizations worldwide, Wilkinson emphasizes the importance of commitment to membership expansion. “It’s not always an easy thing to invite someone into Rotary. Too often, we hear ‘no.’ And no one likes to hear ‘no.’ It’s easy to get discouraged. But you have to expect those no’s, and know when to ask again — and when to move on to find a yes somewhere else.” Equally important to Rotary’s future, says Wilkinson, is attention to programs for youth. “Working to strengthen our programs for youth helps ensure a new generation of responsible, ethical, and volunteer-minded people. [They] are our link to the future of Rotary which we ourselves will not see.”

## Editorial Gratitude

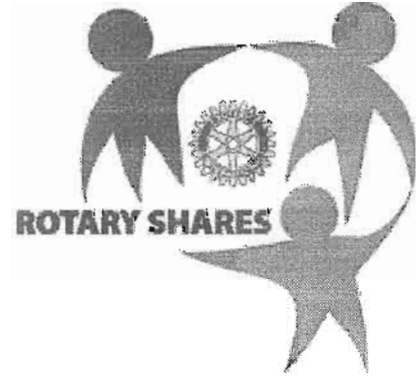
The Ed. is very grateful for the submittals of **Craig Corbett**, **Errol Greene** and **Bill Potter** included in this week’s bulletin, as well as **Bill Fahey**’s coordination of same. We are always open for submittals from members so please feel free to compose or forward e-mails to the Ed. at [psills@cfl.rr.com](mailto:psills@cfl.rr.com).

## Idiot Sightings

(contributed by **Errol Greene**)

- We had to have the garage door repaired. The Sears repairman told us that one of our problems was that we did not have a “large” enough motor on the opener. I thought for a minute, and said that we had the largest one Sears made at that time, a 1/2 horsepower. He shook his head and said, “Lady, you need a 1/4 horsepower.” I responded that 1/2 was larger than 1/4. He said, “NO, it’s not. Four is larger than two.” We haven’t used Sears repair since.

- I work with an individual who plugged her power strip back into itself and for the sake of her own life, couldn’t understand why her system would not turn on. A deputy with the Dall County Sheriff’s office no less.



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