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“bear highway” along the Greenway. The questions went on long enough that president **Paul** had to step in and defer them to after the meeting. Next up was **Clark Gwinn** who was very happy to introduce Felicia Dhanani our first (and possibly the first in the world!) Foundation Alumni Associate, a new class of membership now available. Individuals who have participated in a Rotary International sponsored activity (i.e. GSE) are eligible for this unique membership. In essence, it’s an “interim” membership for an individual who is not financially or otherwise prepared to make a full Rotary commitment, allowing them to experiment with Rotary to see if it’s for them. Our Club is familiar with Felicia as she was part of our District’s GSE team to India and was a Peace Scholar candidate. Felicia spoke a few words about her interest in Rotary and her willingness to work. Clark also told us that our Club will continue its work with the Peace Scholarship program by sponsoring two new candidates from Africa. **Jim DeKleva** spoke about the Sanford Rescue Outreach Mission, the topic of our program a few weeks back. This is the only agency serving Seminole County in their unique capacity and we are working to transition our current work with the downtown Coalition to them. On October 26th, the Mission will be hosting a fund-raiser and Jim is looking for table sponsors. Please see Jim for more information. **Barry Gainer** spoke about the Seminole County Schools Foundation “Backpacks for Success” program. The backpack stuffing occurred this last Wednesday at the Gift for Teaching Store. **Charles English** reminded us to attend the Fireside Chat to be held during our August 5th meeting. We also learned that our Club Assemblies this Rotary year will have a new, random seating arrangement. With his young children present, **Dennis** got a chance at the \$531 drawing but couldn’t convert.

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religions. Elsewhere in South Africa, Erin Koepke, a 2010-11 Ambassadorial Scholar from the United States, partnered with [Abalimi Bezekhaya](#), a nonprofit that introduces poor townships to sustainable food sources through urban farming. The effort resulted in a number of farmers selling their produce through the organization’s [Harvest of Hope](#) program. She teamed up with two other Ambassadorial Scholars and cooked with several farmers to learn traditional cuisine, using vegetables the farmers had grown. The resulting recipes were compiled into the *Seed to Table* cookbook. Net proceeds from sales of the book are donated to Abalimi Bezekhaya to help support organic microfarmers in Cape Town. Darshan Mundada, a 2008-10 Rotary Peace Fellow from India, applied his experience by developing a program in his country that helps rehabilitate former sex workers and integrate them into mainstream society. The program trains women to make tote bags out of recycled saris. The bags are sold to the public, serving as a source of income for the women.

“Clark Gwinn’s” Unusual Facts

- February 1865 is the only month in recorded history not to have a full moon
- A golden razor removed from Tutankhamen’s tomb over 3,000 years after his death was still sharp enough for use.
- Louis XIX was King of France from breakfast until tea-time on August 2, 1830, at which point he abdicated.

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TODAY’S PROGRAM

Lisa Dangel
A Gift for Teaching

WHO’S WHO

Greeter: **John Davies**
Invocation: **Charlie Bennett**
Guests: **Carole Hinshaw**
Happy Dollars: **Clark Gwinn**

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

“The school is the last expenditure upon which America should be willing to economize.”
- Franklin D. Roosevelt

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“It’s called “reading,” it’s how people install new software into their brains.”

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TODAY’S MESSAGE

Foundation Alumni Empower Communities

(adapted from Rotary.org)

From developing a music program for at-risk children to generating employment opportunities for women in India, former Rotary Peace Fellows and Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholars are promoting economic development in regions that need it most. Yashar Keramati, a 2009-10 Ambassadorial Scholar from Canada, recently returned to Fisantekraal, South Africa, to launch his Peace & Love International initiative. With violence and drugs dominating the streets of Fisantekraal, Keramati says that young people have little opportunity for education and positive personal growth. Peace & Love International aims to create such opportunities through music. Workshops, held at least four times a week, offer dance practice and song writing sessions. Through the songs, Keramati concentrates on important issues like drug awareness and respect for those of other genders and

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UPCOMING EVENTS

August 5 - Fireside Chat after Meeting

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THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

Barry Gainer - 8/1
Frank Cashin - 8/4



HAPPY DOLLARS



Avron Satill collected happy dollars last week, garnering the assistance of **Pete Burg's** grandson, Ethan. Avron started things off with the news that his "running career" (over 65,000 miles ran!) has ended with his latest knee surgery, although he aspires to cycle more and participate in this year's Holiday 100. Pete Burg was happy to have his grandchildren visiting for an extended period. Noting Ethan's Bruins jersey, **Clark** suggested the Bruins' logo could stand in as the Burg family crest! He was also happy to see **Felicia** become an Associate member, promising that she will be involved in the Club. He also let us know that the next GSE trip will be to Melbourne (Australia that is). **Dede** was happy to be back from a two week motor home trip through three national parks including Yellowstone. **Karen Almond** was very happy for her daughter who will soon be a licensed occupational therapist. **Barry** was happy to see Felicia as a new member under the new, special membership offered. He also told us about his extensive side trip taken while visiting his daughter in Oregon, including visits to Mt. Hood and Mt. Rainier. **Joe Williams** had one for his guests and the program and was looking forward to a trip to Pahoake. **Russ** told us about his trip to Los Angeles, visiting **Bob Braddock** and **Carol Hawkins** who have bought a home out there. He also rode an electric bike across the Golden Gate and saw a bunch of his grandchildren during the trip. All the while, Katie was in Alaska kayaking with whales! **Maria Musick** was happy for her niece who is moving here for college. **Carl Riechers** was grateful for the help of **Shannon** and **John Costello** with his wife's computer troubles. **Bill Fahey** was looking forward to his vacation to Apopka where he'll be staying in a lovely Holiday Inn. **Mike Lane** told us about a series of financial breaks he benefited from (his car a/c broke and battery died, both with just days left on their warranties). **Paul McGlone** was happy for the Stanley Cup champion Boston Bruins. **Bob Levy** was happy that John Costello was able to fix his wife's computer. He was also happy to see Felicia become a member and also complimented our program and the "bear" facts presented. **Tracy Huggins** was happy to be back from a trip to Gatlinburg, where they didn't see any bears. She also commented on the QR code on the back page of the bulletin. **Dennis Sobik** was very happy to have his children, Sarah and Alex, at the meeting with him. He put in \$5 for the remarkable lack of a **Ruby** happy dollar and for Bill Fahey's happy presence. **Paul Sills** had one for Max and Charlie joining him at the meeting. **Rege** mentioned **Carole Hinshaw's** photo album from the Guatemala trip, with one picture showing what could have been Bob Levy's long lost brother. Bill Fahey put in a happy dollar for Ruby, calling attention to her continuing penny project and making a donation of his own.

LAST WEEK'S MEETING

Last week, we hosted Claire Sunquist from the Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission as our speaker. She spoke to the Club primarily about bears. Many of us see bears in our communities so it was very informative to know more about them. She shared a variety of pictures of bears and bear dens. We learned that males are usually larger than females; however, females are frequently with their cubs, which make them very dangerous. Cubs stay with their mothers for the first year. While bears like to eat the treats in our garbage, 80% of their food is plant matter. However they will, on occasion, hunt pigs. Bears are very curious and can smell food up to one mile away. When encountering a bear, they will frequently give off a defensive warning such huffing or stomping on the ground. Heed this warning and leave the bear alone. Quite interestingly, Claire indicated that Florida has never had a Florida black bear predatory attack on a human. However, there are frequent "bear conflicts", with 14,146 occurring between 1965-2008, most of which occur in yards. Speaking of humans, we have had a great influence on bears through our population increase and feeding (As we know, feeding bears is a "no-no", carrying a \$500 fine.). Bears know when trash day is and will cruise the neighborhood looking for goodies. Please secure your trash carefully ("bear-proof" trash cans are available and dumpster designs are changing to reduce bear feedings). Also, keep your pet food inside and don't dump your cooking oil outside. When someone calls the FWC about a bear, they have specific response and instructions. If you have "3 strikes", the responses will stop. Sometimes, bears are relocated, but that is rare. Sometimes, bears are euthanized, but that is an even rarer response. So what can you do? If you come upon a bear, use loud noises to frighten the bear away or leave the bear alone. Otherwise, become involved in bear education. Our speaker's very interesting topic led to a host of questions. We learned that bears do hibernate in Florida, although not like up North (they have a slow period of 2-6 months but they don't sleep all the time). **Bob Levy** shared a story about his ferocious dog encounter with a bear, prompting Claire to explain that you don't roll yourself up in a ball like you would with a grizzly. **Joe Williams** asked about the effectiveness of the "bear-crossings" around Central Florida. Claire told us that, as a result of the bear crossings, there has been a 25% reduction in bear fatalities (60-80% of bear deaths are from being hit by a car). **Jim Urbach** shared some tips about "bear-proofing" bird feeders. He also talked about polar bear experiences in Canada, where they use noise and even helicopters to relocate bears. **Russ** told us about his grandchildren watching a trio of bears "getting busy" in his backyard, prompting them to ask, "How do you get them to do that, Grandpa?" **Fred Poole** asked about the

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