



# CLARK HOWLER

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## Rotary Shares



### President's Message

Rotary is uniquely privileged to be a well-established, religiously and politically neutral organization with no governmental ties or obligations. We are known and respected as a group of men and women who simply come to help – by bringing clean water and food, teaching literacy and numeracy, providing assistance after a disaster, ending polio.

When there is a need, a crisis, or an emergency, Rotary is there. We know that, as Rotarians, part of our role in any crisis is to bring people together, rather than drive them apart. It is our role and also our responsibility.

Today, we are faced globally with a new crisis: the changing environment and the changing climate. It's a frightening situation that will affect everyone but will hurt the poor and the weak far more than the wealthy and the strong. The days of wondering and considering and hoping are at an end, as it has become ever clearer that we are on a course that can be slowed but not stopped.

This past summer, the Arctic ice cap melted at a pace that exceeded even the most pessimistic expectations. The rate of melting and warming is accelerating in what seems to be a cycle of ever-increasing speed, and we cannot pretend that it will not affect us. It already has. In the American West, water is becoming more and more scarce as less snow falls every winter to refill lakes and streams. From my window in Evanston, I can see Lake Michigan, whose water level, like the other Great Lakes, is near or already at a record low. And as the supply of fresh water diminishes, the sea levels are rising, putting low-lying nations – many of them poor and developing – at increasing risk.

We know that in the years and decades to come, there will be crises, and there will be challenges. Will we let them drive us apart, or will we use them to bring us together? Will we be fragmented, or will we come together to address the universal needs of all people? Will we choose to address the desires of the rich over the needs of the poor, or will we do what is best for everyone on our planet?

The greatest challenges lie before us, now and in the years to come.

Wilfrid J. (Wif) Wilkinson  
President, Rotary International

### DISTRICT 3790

#### EVENTS

#### District Conference (DISCON)

Apr 18–20, Fri to Sunday, Baguio

#### District Assembly

May 10-11, Clark

#### YEAR END REVIEW

Jun 7, Sat Angeles City

Hosted by RC Western Pampanga

A man walked into a bar and ordered a glass of white wine. He took a sip of the wine, then tossed the remainder in the bartender's face.

Before the bartender could recover from the surprise, the man began weeping. "I'm really sorry. I keep doing that to bartenders. I can't tell you how embarrassing it is to have a compulsion like this."

Far from being angry, the bartender was sympathetic. Before long, he was suggesting that the man see a psychoanalyst about his problem.

"I happen to have the name of a psychoanalyst," the bartender said. "My brother and my wife have both been treated by him, and they say he's as good as they come." The man wrote down the name of the doctor, thanked the bartender, and left. The bartender smiled, knowing he'd done a good deed for a fellow human being.

Six months later, the man was back. "Did you do what I suggested?" the bartender asked, serving the glass of white wine.

"I certainly did," the man said. "I've been seeing the psychoanalyst twice a week." He took a sip of the wine. Then he threw the remainder into the bartender's face.

The flustered bartender wiped his face with a towel. "The doctor doesn't seem to be doing you any good," he spluttered.

"On the contrary," the man said, "he's done me a world of good."

"But you just threw the wine in my face again!" the bartender exclaimed.

"Yes" the man said. "But it doesn't embarrass me anymore!"

### Pambansang Awit

Bayang Magiliw. Perlas nng silanganan.  
Alab ng puso. Sa dibdib mo'y buhay.  
Lupang hinirang. Duyang ka ng magiting.

Sa manlulupig. Di ka pasisiil.  
Sa dagat at bundok. Sa simoy at sa langit mong bughaw.

May dilag at tula at awit sa paglayang minamahal.

Ang kislap ng watawat mo'y tagumpay na nagniningning.

Ang bituin at araw niya kayian pa ma'y di magdidilim.

Lupa ng araw ng luwalhatit pagsinta.  
Buhay ay langit sa piling mo.

Aming ligaya na pag may mang-aaapi  
Ang namatay ng dahil sa iyo.

### Rotary Grace

O, Lord and giver of all good,  
We thank you for our daily food.  
May Rotary friends and Rotary ways  
Help us serve thee all our days.

### The 4-Way Test

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build goodwill and better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

### Agenda

Call to Order	Pres. Vic Torres
Rotary Grace	
Phil. National Anthem	Clark Howlers
The Four Way Test	
Intro. of Visitors	
Secretary's Report	Sec. Rey Pineda
President's Time	Pres. Vic Torres
Intro. of Guest Speaker	
Guest Speaker	
President's Response	Pres. Vic Torres
Toast Time	PP Ron Nethercutt
Fine Time	SAA John McCully
Raffle	Tres. Mark Smith
Adjournment	Pres. Vic Torres

Day Chairman  
Rtn Bruce McTavish