



# CLARK HOWLER

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## Make Dreams Real

### Why am I a Rotarian? - Trevor Wilkins

It is when you stand at the airport waiting to meet you wife - there is a tap on your shoulder and a person neatly dressed in a suit with a great warm smile on his face greets you.....Wow! but a few years ago he was a gangster in a squatter camp and now through a development programme initiated by myself he is in a stable job and a proud youngster...

It is when you spend time with disadvantaged young people who have just completed a sailing circumnavigation of Africa....all these youngsters from disadvantaged communities...and you learn of their progress and development.

It's the time when one has nurtured a young girl who lost her father and had no money for university – the moment when she graduates as a doctor, is invited to dinner and meets her benefactor, an old Rotarian, over 90 who she had been caring for and never known that he was the Rotarian who had sponsored her.

It's when you switch on the TV and there in your lounge is the smiling face of a young girl who came from an iron shack with no electricity, water, sanitation ...with a candle to study and a wet floor in the winter...a person who we as Rotarians took by the hand and walked with. She blossomed, completed her education and today is a South African presenter for major sports events – even the Olympics were covered by her.

It is the years of working with young folk on youth exchange and the post graduates from the Ambassadorial Scholarship programme – then the time when you meet them after they have returned, settled down and are now contributing to their own community when you share once again in their formative experiences for which Rotary has made so much of a difference in their lives.

These and the working with families in the squatter camps are the "return on the sweat equity investments" that recharge my batteries and keep me going. Thank you Rotary!

Trevor Wilkins  
PP Rotary Club of Cape Town RSA

A woman brought a very limp duck into a veterinary surgeon. As she laid her pet on the table, the vet pulled out his stethoscope and listened to the bird's chest.

After a moment or two, the vet shook his head sadly and said, 'I'm so sorry, your duck, Cuddles, has passed away.'

The distressed owner wailed, 'Are you sure'?

'Yes, I am sure. The duck is dead,' he replied.

'How can you be so sure?' She protested. 'I mean, you haven't done any testing on him or anything. He might just be in a coma or something.'

The vet rolled his eyes, turned around and left the room, and returned a few moments later with a black Labrador Retriever.

As the duck's owner looked on in amazement, the dog stood on his hind legs, put his front paws on the examination table and sniffed the duck from top to bottom.

He then looked at the vet with sad eyes and shook his head. The vet patted the dog and took it out, and returned a few moments later with a cat.

The cat jumped up on the table and also sniffed delicately at the bird from head to foot. The cat sat back on its haunches, shook its head, meowed softly and strolled out of the room.

The vet looked at the woman and said, 'I'm sorry, but as I said, this is most definitely, 100 percent certifiably, a dead duck.'

Then the vet turned to his computer terminal, hit a few keys and produced a bill, which he handed to the woman.

The duck's owner, still in shock, took the bill. '\$150!' she cried. '\$150 just to tell me my duck is dead'?

The vet shrugged. 'I'm sorry. If you'd taken my word for it, the bill would have been \$20, but with the lab report and the cat scan, it's now \$150.'

### 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 kaylan 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

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

**Day Chairman**  
**PP Joey Pineda**