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Foundation receives US\$1.6 million gift

Past District Governor William Cable (D-6540) and his wife Miriam have established the William H. and Miriam W. Cable Rotary Foundation Endowment Fund. Their US\$1.6 million commitment that will establish the fund consists of a US\$1.13 million charitable remainder unitrust, which will provide income to the Cables for the rest of their lives and then revert to the Foundation, and a US\$500,000 life insurance policy.

According to the Cables' wishes, income from the fund will be used to finance Foundation programs that improve the health or social and economic conditions of people in need, or to encourage Rotary clubs and districts to embark on World Community Service activities that will work toward these

ends. Specific programs that may benefit from the gift are Matching Grants, 3-H grants, Rotary Volunteers, and any similar future humanitarian programs.

In announcing this gift at the R.I. International Institute in Kansas City, Missouri, U.S.A., on 7 March, R.I. President Rajendra Saboo lauded the Cables for their exceptional generosity and their long-time dedication to Rotary and its ideals.

A Rotarian since 1973, Bill Cable has served R.I. and the Foundation in many capacities. A retired farmer and agriculture consultant, he brought his expertise to Cali, Colombia, as a Rotary Volunteer, where he developed a course in seed enterprise, management, and marketing. He also served as an advisor to a 3-H agricultural project in Ghana.



At the recent International Institute, M.A.T. Caparas (second from right), chairman of The Rotary Foundation Trustees, joined R.I. President Rajendra Saboo (at right) in thanking Miriam and Bill Cable for their generous support of the Foundation.

Results of the 1992 Council on Legislation

At its 1992 meeting in Anaheim, California, U.S.A., Rotary International's Council on Legislation adopted 58 pieces of legislation, many of which were concerned with R.I. finances and administration.

In a vote of 355 to 112, the council adopted a membership dues increase that will go into effect in stages, beginning 1 July 1993. Dues will continue at the present rate of US\$14.50 per half year throughout the 1992-1993 Rotary year, and then rise to US\$15.50 in 1993-94, US\$16.50 in 1994-95, and US\$17.50 in 1995-96. The council also adopted a board-sponsored proposal that requires R.I. to operate each year on a balanced budget.

Rotary's triennial "parliament" also adopted a group of proposals designed to strengthen the nominating committee system for election to R.I. offices. In a move to strengthen representation on the R.I. board for the ASIA and CEEMA regions, the council adopted a proposal that will increase the number of R.I. directors from 18 to 19.

Although most of the proposals for changes in Rotary's membership and attendance requirements were rejected, the council did adopt a measure allowing clubs to elect former Rotaractors as additional active members.

Growth and changes in the Ambassadorial Scholarships program

The Rotary Foundation Trustees have made several changes in the Ambassadorial Scholarships program. The most immediate change will take effect in the 1993-94 academic year, when the non-transportation portion of an Ambassadorial Scholarship will be limited to US\$18,000 or its equivalent, with no scholarship exceeding that amount. This limit will not apply to the world competitive Japan Program and Freedom From Hunger scholarships.

Ambassadorial Scholars will continue to receive round-trip transportation between their home and study cities. In addition, they will now be allowed to accept additional scholarships or stipends in conjunction with their Rotary awards, provided they report such supplementary funding to the Foundation.

Scholarship funding is intended to help cover academic fees for a normal course load, educational supplies, housing and food, limited educational travel, and some contingencies. In some cases, all these costs can be covered for less than US\$18,000. But if, for example, a student selects a university where the tuition is US\$15,000, that cost will be paid, and the student will receive only US\$3,000 to apply toward other expenses. In such cases, the scholars must find other means to cover additional costs. Applicants must be made aware

of this new policy, as it may influence them in listing preferred study institutions.

The Foundation trustees also approved the addition of two new scholarships, beginning in the 1994-95 academic year—the Multi-Year Academic Ambassadorial Scholarship and the Cultural Ambassadorial Scholarship.

As its name implies, the Multi-Year Scholarship helps to cover the cost of pursuing an academic degree over a period of two or three years, unlike the regular Ambassadorial Scholarship, which extends for only one academic year. Recipients of the Multi-Year Scholarship will be given US\$10,000 or its equivalent per year to help cover academic costs. Separate transportation payments are not included in these scholarships.

The Cultural Ambassadorial Scholarship will provide intensive language training and cultural immersion in another country for either three or six months. Recipients will stay in private homes where possible to gain a better understanding of daily life in their host country. This scholarship will include funds to cover academic fees and round-trip transportation costs.

If you have questions about the Ambassadorial Scholarships Program, contact the scholarships program staff at the R.I. world headquarters.

Club Clinic

Question: A member of my club has been sending out Rotary correspondence using Rotary International letterhead. Is this practice allowed?

Answer: No, unless that member is an incoming, current, or past R.I. officer or has been appointed by the president or the R.I. board to serve in a special capacity. According to a decision by the R.I. board in 1982, these individuals may use R.I. letterhead, provided that the exact term of their office or the years of their service to R.I. in any special capacity appear on the stationery.

Question: A Rotarian in our club is planning to join another service organization in the community. May she do this and retain her membership in Rotary?

Answer: According to a recent decision of the R.I. board, "a Rotarian should not belong to similar community or service clubs which would substantially reduce the member's opportunity to comply with the obligations of [Rotary] membership." Before joining such a club, your member must obtain approval from your club's board. The R.I. board also agreed that anyone who is being considered for Rotary membership should be expected to disclose his or her membership in other service organizations.

New publications offer clubs ideas and guidelines

R.I. publications are designed to undergird your club's service program by providing guidelines and innovative ideas. The environment, fund-raising, and community self-development are three topics addressed in some of R.I.'s newest publications.

The *Preserve Planet Earth Handbook* (PA2-378-EN) features 25 success stories of club environmental projects

around the world. In addition, this 47-page booklet provides information on both Rotary and non-Rotary resources that can help clubs and districts plan and carry out effective projects to Preserve Planet Earth. The booklet is available in English, French, Japanese, Portuguese, and Spanish from the R.I. office serving your area for US\$2.50 each.

If your club is looking for innovative ways to raise money for its service projects, the new booklet "Fund Raising With Finesse" (CD3-028-EN) can provide a wealth of information and sample project ideas. Available in English, French, Spanish, and Portuguese, this publication can be ordered from the R.I. secretariat for US\$1.00 each.

Self-help community service through the Rotary Village Corps program is the focus of two new brochures—one geared toward clubs in the developing world and the other for those in developed countries. Both outline how Rotary Village Corps—or Rotary Community Corps as they are called in industrialized countries—can be highly effective tools in promoting self-development projects. "Rotary Community Corps" (PA2-778-EN) is a four-color brochure, available in English and French at a cost of US35 cents each. "Rotary Village Corps" (PA2-779-EN) is a two-color publication, is available in English, French, Portuguese, and Spanish for US15 cents each.

World Competitive Scholars selected

Forty students have been selected for The Rotary Foundation's world competitive scholarships programs and will begin their studies in 1992.

Fifteen students from eight Rotary countries have received 21-month Japan Program Scholarships, which include nine months of intensive language training at International Christian University in Tokyo, followed by a year of study at a Japanese university. Japan Scholars are expected to have completed at least one year of university-level Japanese language training and have been exposed to Asian culture through course work or equivalent experience.

Freedom From Hunger Scholarships have been awarded to 25 students from 10 developing countries. They will receive funding for up to two calendar years of full-time study toward a master of science degree in agriculture. Candidates are selected, in part, based on their commitment to return to their homelands to promote agricultural development after completing their studies.

Applications for the 1993-94 scholarships are available from your district scholarships subcommittee chairman. The final deadline to submit applications to the club is 15 July 1992. District endorsed applications must be submitted to the Foundation by 1 October 1992.

Latvia rejoins Rotary world

With the admission of the Rotary Club of Riga, Latvia has once again become part of the Rotary world. The Baltic country had two Rotary clubs that were forcibly closed in 1940. The new club is part of District 1420, which consists mainly of clubs in Finland.

The addition of the Riga club brings the number of Rotary countries and geographical regions to 175.

Convention Update

A host of interesting speakers will be appearing at the Orlando Convention, 14-17 June, providing information, insights, and entertainment for Rotarians and their guests.

A special feature of Monday's plenary session is a discussion of "The Importance of Family Values," featuring perspectives from experts from three parts of the world: Admiral Antonia Novelo, U.S. surgeon general, Dr. Karan Singh of India, and Dr. Rita Sussmuth, a Rotarian who is president of the German parliament.

Wednesday's plenary session will feature a special presentation on AIDS, with speakers Dushan Angius from the National Leadership Coalition on AIDS and Jonathan Mann, director of Harvard University's AIDS Institute. Also speaking that day will be Michael Eisner, chief executive officer of Disney Corporation, who will talk about "Discovering the Human Potential."

In addition to these special convention highlights, Rotarians and their families will take part in the celebration of The Rotary Foundation's 75th Anniversary and many other exciting events. Remind your delegate to the convention to bring home a full report, including photographs, tape recordings, and a complete set of Daily Bulletins, a convention newspaper featuring highlights of each day's activities.

30 June final deadline for Foundation contributions

Contributions to The Rotary Foundation for 1991-92 must be received by the R.I. secretariat or fiscal agent no later than 30 June 1992 in order to be credited during this Rotary year. Clubs and districts in countries where contributions are deposited directly into a Foundation account must make these deposits by the 30 June deadline.

All general contributions received by 30 June will be applied toward the district's eligibility for program participation through SHARE in the year 1994-95. Contributions received on 1 July or later will be credited to the 1992-93 year and will not be available for district program participation through SHARE until 1995-96.

This year's deadline is several days earlier than it has been in the past to enable the Foundation to provide audited financial statements at an earlier date. Please apprise your treasurer of this change and encourage him or her to send in your club's contribution in time to receive credit for this year.

CLUB PRESIDENT'S CALENDAR

Let your community know about your new club officers and plans for the coming 1992-93 year by sending a news release to local print and broadcast media. Be sure to include a summary of your club's activities and accomplishments in 1991-92. ■ Your upcoming district assembly, which follows the Presidents-Elect Training Seminar, is one of the most important events on the Rotary calendar. The assembly is a vital link that allows the Rotary program of service to run smoothly despite the annual changeover of club officers on 1 July. Under the overall leadership of the district governor-nominee, in a series of workshops and other meetings, club presidents-elect, secretaries-elect, and others learn how to make their coming year as successful as possible. Incoming club leaders will find this event even

more helpful if they are fully prepared.

■ Presidents-elect should have completed their appointments of club committee chairman before the district assembly or by 31 March at the latest. ■ Now is the time for your president-elect to get involved in preparing your club's budget for next year. ■ Make sure that the flow of information from the secretariat and your district governor regularly reaches your membership. Reserve a meeting to read and discuss your governor's monthly letter, the *R.I. News*, club news in the official magazine, and official Rotary correspondence. ■ Please note that applications for Rotary Foundation scholarships for the study year 1993-94 must be submitted to the sponsoring club no later than 15 July 1992.

Past President Togasaki dies

Kiyoshi "George" Togasaki, president of Rotary International in 1968-69, died 6 February in Tokyo, Japan, at the age of 96.

Before his retirement, George was president of Fuji Tours International in



Tokyo and also served as president, chairman, and advisor of the Japan Times. Born in California, U.S.A., he graduated from the University of California at Berkeley, where he later became a fellow. He received honorary degrees from several U.S. universities and colleges. George moved to Tokyo in 1933 and later was decorated by the Japanese government with the Third Order of the Rising Sun for his contributions to Japanese-American relations.

A member of the Rotary Club of Tokyo since 1946, George served R.I. as district governor, committee member and chairman, Rotary Foundation trustee, director, and vice president. The theme for his presidential year was "Participate!"

George Togasaki is survived by his wife, Chizu, a son, Shigeru, and a daughter, Emiko. A full tribute will appear in the May issue of THE ROTARIAN.

Increase in admission fee, annual dues

Effective 1 July 1992, the minimum admission fee for newly organized clubs will increase from US\$20 to US\$25, and the minimum for annual dues will rise from US\$25 to US\$40, according to a recent decision by the R.I. Board of Directors.

The reason for establishing a minimum level for admission fees and membership dues is to ensure that new clubs will have sufficient funds to function successfully. The last time these minimum amounts were increased was 1951. The new levels reflect the rate at which costs that clubs incur have risen over the past 40 years.

Images of Rotary— A showcase of achievement

Rotary's work for world peace, its fight against polio and other diseases, and Rotarian efforts to promote literacy, to prevent drug abuse, and to help the disadvantaged build a new life—all of these endeavors and more are presented in one handsome "coffee table" book titled *Images of Rotary*. A perfect addition to any Rotarian's library, this 180-page book features hundreds of moving photographs that tell the story of Rotary in simple yet dramatic terms. It makes an ideal "thank you" gift for program speakers or a special memento to visiting ambassadorial scholars or youth exchanges.

Images of Rotary is available in two multi-language editions—one in English, Spanish, and French (CD3-293-MU) and the other in English, Japanese, and Portuguese (CD3-294-MU). It may be ordered from the world headquarters in Evanston, Illinois, at a cost of US\$20.

Theme folders, postcards now for sale

For the first time, the theme folders and postcards will be a sale item that can be ordered by all Rotarians from the R.I. secretariat. The folder (PM-900-EN) featuring the R.I. theme for 1992-93, "Real Happiness is Helping Others," also includes a message from President-Elect Cliff Dochterman that expands on what this theme means to Rotarians. Available in 12 languages, the folders come in lots of 10 that can be ordered for US\$2.50 each.

The postcards (PA-910-EN) feature the theme and theme art on one side, with space for a message and postage on the other. They are available in 15 languages and can be ordered in lots of 50 for US\$5.00. Packages of 15 postcards (PA-910A-MU)—one in each language—can be ordered for US\$2.50.

In addition to the folders and postcards, slides of the 1992-1993 theme graphic are available in sets of three (CD4-320-MU) for US\$7.00 per set. The slides have been produced in 21 languages.

Youth Merit Certificate: A special honor

Is there a special young person in your community that your club would like to honor? The Youth Merit Certificate (PA2-624) is a distinctive way to cite the youth's achievements. The certificate, to be signed by the club president is designed for use in recognizing outstanding qualities of service, dependability, and leadership. It is available from the order desk at the world headquarters (in English only). Price: US40 cents each.

New membership cards available

A more durable Rotary membership card (CD3-420-EN) made of lightweight vinyl is now available. This tear-resistant card comes attached to a paper carrier that can be hand-inserted into a typewriter or fed through a computer printer on tractor tracks. The carrier fits into a #10 envelope for mailing, and the card itself is wallet-sized.

The new card is available in eight languages: English, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese, and Spanish. It can be ordered in lots of 10 for US\$1.00 from the R.I. office serving your area.

The vinyl card is being offered in addition to the paper membership identification card (CD3-418-EN), which can be ordered in lots of 10 for US65 cents.

Prices of R.I. publications increase 1 April

In keeping with a recent decision by the R.I. board, the prices of most R.I. publications have been increased effective 1 April 1992. The new prices appear in the 1992-93 "Catalog," which has been distributed to all clubs via their district governors.

During the 1992-93 year, some of The Rotary Foundation's gratis publications will become sale items. Your district Foundation chairman and district governor will provide information on the specific publications and their prices when it becomes available.