WEEK 1 - (First Meeting of the year)

OVER THE NEXT YEAR, I WILL COME TO YOU WITH A SHORT WEEKLY MESSAGE ABOUT THE ROTARY FOUNDATION, ITS PROGRAMS AND THE NEED FOR YOUR SUPPORT. TODAY I HAVE A QUOTE FROM PAULO COSTA, PAST PRESIDENT OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL, 1990-1991. “Rotary International’s masterpiece is The Rotary Foundation. It transforms our dreams into splendid realities...it is the most generous expression of Rotarian generosity - a generosity that not only brings benefits but also brings help and cooperation to solve the problems that affect mankind. The Rotary Foundation achieves the best that mankind can possibly achieve.”

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE ROTARY FOUNDATION AND ITS WORK.

WEEK 2

WHAT IS THE ROTARY FOUNDATION? The Rotary Foundation is the charitable arm of Rotary. It is a non-profit that is supported solely by voluntary contributions from Rotarians and friends of The Rotary Foundation who share its vision of a better world. Its sole mission is to support the efforts of Rotarians through Rotary’s mission, and the achievement of world understanding and peace through local, national and international humanitarian and educational programs in your back yard and around the globe.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE ROTARY FOUNDATION AND ITS WORK.

WEEK 3

HOW DID THE ROTARY FOUNDATION GET STARTED? The Rotary Foundation was created in 1917 by Rotary International’s sixth president, Arch C. Klumph, as an endowment fund for Rotary “to do good in the world.” It has grown from an initial contribution in 1917 of $26.50 from the Rotary Club of Kansas City, Missouri to more than 2.663 billion dollars in total contributions. The Rotary Foundation made its first grant of $500.00 to the International Society for Crippled Children in 1930, and to this day, it continues to “do good in the world” in the name of Rotary.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE ROTARY FOUNDATION AND ITS WORK.
WEEK 4

**WHAT IS THE GOAL OF ROTARY FOUNDATION GRANTS?**

“Doing good in the world.” This is achieved via three programs categories of The Rotary Foundation.

**District Grants**— allows up to 25% of funding given three years ago through Annual Fund – SHARE to do projects that fall within the mission. Almost any type of project can be done and local clubs work with their districts to figure out what projects and activities are nearest and dearest to their hearts.

**Global Grants**— funds sustainable and measurable scholarships, humanitarian grants and vocational training teams in the Rotary Foundation’s six areas of focus.

**Packaged Grants**— Fully funded projects done with strategic partners that allow Rotarians to work with experts in the six areas of focus, Multiplying the good work of our Foundation and creating relevant partnerships showing the world what Rotary can do and the power of teamwork.

**AS A ROTARIAN, YOU ARE ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY ONE OF THESE PROGRAMS. WHICH ONE INTERESTS YOU?**

WEEK 5

**WHAT THE ARCHITECT OF THE ROTARY FOUNDATION HAD TO SAY:** “The Rotary Foundation is not to build monuments of brick and stone. If we work upon marble, it will perish; if we work on brass, time will efface it; if we rear temples they will crumble into dust; but if we work upon immortal minds, if we imbue them with the full meaning of the spirit of Rotary . . . we are engraving on those tablets something that will brighten all eternity.” Arch C. Klumph, President of Rotary International, 1916-1917

WEEK 6

**IN 1945, THE WRITTEN OBJECTIVE FOR THE ROTARY FOUNDATION WAS:**

1. The Promotion of The Rotary Foundation Fellowships for advanced study;
2. The fostering of any tangible and effective projects which have as their purpose the furthering of better understanding and friendly relations between the peoples of different nations; and
3. The providing of emergency relief for Rotarians and their families wherever war or other disaster has brought general destruction and suffering.

**THE ROTARY FOUNDATION CONTINUES TO DO “GOOD WORK” TODAY!**
WEEK 7

**POLIO PLUS IS A SIGNATURE PROGRAM OF THE ROTARY FOUNDATION.**

PolioPlus is Rotary’s priority program which supports global efforts to eradicate polio. It was launched in 1985, with the help of Dr. Albert Sabin, developer of the oral polio vaccine, as a worldwide program to protect children from the cruel and fatal consequences of polio. In 1988, the World Health Assembly challenged the world to eradicate polio, and since that time, Rotary’s efforts, along with partner agencies, including the World Health Organization, the United Nations’ Children’s Fund, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and governments around the world have achieved a 99 percent reduction in the number of polio cases worldwide. By the time the world is certified polio-free, our contributions will make Rotary the largest non-governmental financial contributor to the global polio eradication effort.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING ROTARY’S NUMBER ONE GOAL-END POLIO NOW!

WEEK 8

**WHAT IS THE ROTARY FOUNDATION’S ANNUAL FUND?**

The Rotary Foundation is funded in two different ways: the Annual Fund and the Endowment Fund. The primary source of unrestricted support for the programs of The Rotary Foundation, the Annual Fund supports programs in more than 200 geographical regions. From digging clean water wells for villages in Africa to reaching basic literacy skills to children in Latin America, during any given moment in a day, thousands of Rotarians volunteer their time and expertise to ensure that all contributions given to the Annual Fund are spent wisely on quality Rotary projects. In the 2012-13 Rotary year, US$115 million was donated to The Rotary Foundation’s Annual Fund (Making History in Rotarian generosity). The Annual Fund is comprised of donations from Rotarians, friends of Rotary, corporations, workplace giving vehicles and can be matched by corporate matching gifts to leverage your donation. There is even a place on the rotary website that allows you to see if your company has a charitable matching program...check it out at: [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)

WON’T YOU SUPPORT THE ANNUAL FUND WITH AT LEAST $10 A MONTH OR $120 THIS YEAR?
WEEK 9

WHAT IS A ROTARY FOUNDATION SUSTAINING MEMBER?

A Rotary Foundation Sustaining Member is an individual who personally contributes US$100 or more each Rotary year to the Annual Fund. These contributions also count toward Paul Harris Fellow, Multiple Paul Harris Fellow, Paul Harris Society, Major Donor, and club recognition. After donating $100.00 per year for 10 Rotary years, he/she becomes a Paul Harris Fellow. We have ______ Rotary Foundation Sustaining Members in our Club.

For $1.92 per week, you too can be a Rotary Foundation Sustaining Member! CAN I SIGN YOU UP?

WEEK 10

WHAT IS A PAUL HARRIS FELLOW?

Paul Harris Fellow recognition is given in appreciation to anyone who makes a gift of US$1,000 or more cumulatively to the Annual Fund, PolioPlus Fund, or an approved global grant. The recognition consists of a certificate and pin. Other optional items include a medallion for $15. Paul Harris Fellows can also be given on behalf of someone through Foundation Recognition points or through a combination of points and outright donations.

We have _____ Paul Harris Fellows in our Club. Since the creation of the Paul Harris Fellow over 1.4 MILLION people have become Paul Harris Fellows.

AREN’T YOU READY TO BECOME A PAUL HARRIS FELLOW AND JOIN YOUR FELLOW ROTARIANS IN FINANCIALLY SUPPORTING THE ROTARY FOUNDATION?

WEEK 11

WHAT IS A PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY MEMBER?

The Paul Harris Society recognizes individuals who contribute US$1,000 or more each Rotary year to the Annual Fund, PolioPlus Fund, or an approved global grant. Paul Harris Society contributions count toward Rotary Foundation Sustaining Member (Annual Fund contributions only), Paul Harris Fellow, Multiple Paul Harris Fellow, and Major Donor recognition. Recognition consists of a chevron style pin provided by your District Paul Harris Society Coordinator. A US$1,000 gift in your name to The Rotary Foundation can create a legacy of helping many people live better lives around the world.

I HAVE PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP FORMS FOR YOU!
WHAT IS A ROTARY FOUNDATION MAJOR DONOR AND ARCH C. KLUMPH MEMBER?

The Rotary Foundation recognizes individuals or couples whose combined giving has reached US$10,000, regardless of the gift designation. This recognition level can be achieved only through personal contributions. Major Donors may elect to receive a crystal recognition piece and pin(s) commemorating the gift at each new recognition level. Since Rotary’s Major Donor recognition began there are over 18,000 Major Donors.

For those donors whose cumulative gifts total US$250,000 or more they are considered an Arch C. Klumph Society and are inducted AT THE World Headquarters in Evanston and permanently displayed. (There were 453 Arch C. Klumph Society members as of 30 June 2013)

WHO WANTS TO HAVE THEIR PICTURE DISPLAYED IN EVANSTON?!!

RECOGNITION LEVELS FOR THE ROTARY FOUNDATION DONORS ARE:

- $ 1,000.00 to $ 1,999.99 - Original Paul Harris Fellow Pin
- $ 2,000.00 to $ 2,999.99 - One Sapphire on Paul Harris Fellow Pin
- $ 3,000.00 to $ 3,999.99 - Two Sapphires on Paul Harris Fellow Pin
- $ 4,000.00 to $ 4,999.99 - Three Sapphires on Paul Harris Fellow Pin
- $ 5,000.00 to $ 5,999.99 - Four Sapphires on Paul Harris Fellow Pin
- $ 6,000.00 to $ 6,999.99 - Five Sapphires on Paul Harris Fellow Pin
- $ 7,000.00 to $ 7,999.99 - One Ruby on Paul Harris Fellow Pin
- $ 8,000.00 to $ 8,999.99 - Two Rubies on Paul Harris Fellow Pin
- $ 9,000.00 to $ 9,999.99 - Three Rubies on Paul Harris Fellow Pin
- $10,000.00 to $ 24,999.99 - Major Donor level 1 (Crystal and pendant with 1 diamond
- $25,000.00 to $ 49,999.99 - Major Donor level 2 (Crystal and pendant with 2 diamonds
- $50,000.00 to $ 99,999.99 - Major Donor level 3 (Crystal and pendant with 3 diamonds
- $100,000.00 to $ 249,999.99 - Major Donor level 4 (Crystal and pendant with 4 diamonds
- $250,000.00 to $ 499,999.99 - AKS-Trustees Circle (pin, induction, video and photo)
- $500,000.00 to $ 999,999.99 - AKS-Chair’s Circle (pin, induction, video and photo)
- $1,000,000.00 or greater - AKS-Foundation’s Circle- (pin, induction, video and photo+)

HAVE YOU REACHED YOUR DESIRED DONOR RECOGNITION LEVEL?
*Those in italics represent levels where points can be used to achieve the level
**WEEK 14**

**WHAT IS THE ROTARY FOUNDATION’S ENDOWMENT FUND?**

If you will remember, The Rotary Foundation is funded in two different ways: the Annual Fund and the Endowment Fund (formerly the Permanent fund). The Permanent Fund enables individuals to combine their gifts into a significant force to address the world’s greatest needs for generations to come. Donations to the Endowment Fund are made with outright gifts (cash, securities, real estate, tangible personal property or an Endowed Fund), life income agreements, or bequests by a will or trust. Contributions to this fund are invested for the future. Only earnings from their investments are used to support Foundation programs.

**WHAT'S YOUR LEGACY? IF YOU WANT TO LEAVE A LASTING LEGACY TO THE WORLD THROUGH THE ROTARY FOUNDATION’S ENDOWMENT FUND - JUST ASK ME HOW AND I'LL SHOW YOU.**

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**WEEK 15**

**WHAT IS A ROTARY FOUNDATION BENEFACCTOR?**

A Rotary Foundation Benefactor is a person who has notified The Rotary Foundation that he/she has made provisions in his/her final estate plans to Rotary, or made an outright gift of $1,000 or more, to the Rotary Foundation’s Endowment Fund. Benefactors receive a commemorative certificate, a letter of appreciation, and a royal blue and gold ribbon insignia to be attached to a Rotary or PHF pin. A US$1,000 gift to The Foundation creates a legacy of helping people live better lives around the world. We have ____ Benefactors in our Club. 90,219 donors have become Benefactors as of 30 June 2013.

**WON’T YOU JOIN THEM?**

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**WEEK 16**

**WHAT IS A ROTARY FOUNDATION BEQUEST SOCIETY MEMBER?**

The Rotary Foundation recognizes couples or individuals who have made commitments in their estate plans totaling US$10,000 or more. Donors may elect to receive an engraved crystal recognition piece and a pin commemorating the commitment at each new recognition level. A gift of at least $10,000 in your name to The Rotary Foundation creates a legacy of your generosity and compassion as you are helping many people live better lives around the world. We have _____ Rotary Foundation Bequest Society Members in our Club, and 566 people worldwide became a Bequest Society member in Rotary year 2012-13. There are 10,035 Bequest Society Members worldwide as of 30 June 2013.

**WON’T YOU JOIN THEM BY COMPLETING THIS BEQUEST SOCIETY FORM?**
**WEEK 17**

**WHAT DOES THE ROTARY FOUNDATION DO WITH ITS MONEY?**

The Rotary Foundation spends charitable contributions on multiple programs and grants. From the eradication of POLIO to scholarships, vocational training teams, Rotary Peace Centers, Humanitarian projects. The funds are used for programs and projects Rotarians feel passionate about. If you want detailed financial information you should check on-line at www.rotary.org and you can see how much was spent on each program as well as operating costs. I can tell you that our Foundation is ranked as one of the best. With 1.2 million Rotarians over-seeing the funds at a grassroots level I have all the confidence in the world that are funds through Rotary are in amazing hands doing amazing work here and abroad.

**THE ROTARY FOUNDATION SPENDS ITS MONEY IN OUR NAME TO DO GOOD WORK!**

**WEEK 18**

**WHAT IS “EVERY ROTARIAN, EVERY YEAR” ALL ABOUT?**

This initiative by the Board of Trustees of The Rotary Foundation:

Encourages EVERY ROTARIAN to participate in a Foundation program that truly makes a difference in the world each and EVERY YEAR, and

Encourages EVERY ROTARIAN to contribute to the Foundation’s Annual Fund at an amount in which they are able, EVERY YEAR.

The Rotary Foundation even has banners for clubs where every member contributes some amount to the Foundation and the annual per capita is US$100 and a banner for clubs where every member contributes at least US$100 per year.....think about what you can do to help us meet our Annual Giving goal...which is the goal to make positive change in the world around us?

**IF YOU ARE A PART OF THE “EVERY ROTARIAN, EVERY YEAR” INITIATIVE I PERSONALLY THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE ROTARY FOUNDATION AND ITS WORK.**
WEEK 19

**OUR ROTARY SUCCESS WITH THE POLIO PLUS CAMPAIGN** Because of Rotarian support, more than four million children who might have been polio victims are walking and playing normally. Since 1985, through Rotary’s efforts, and those of its partners around the world, more than two billion children have received polio vaccines and have been protected. There are currently three countries that are endemic: Nigeria, Afghanistan and Pakistan. We must not stop our efforts until we give the children a Polio Free world!

**THANK YOU FOR HAVING SUPPORTED THE ROTARY FOUNDATION AND ITS EFFORT IN ERADICATING POLIO FROM OUR PLANET.**

WEEK 20

**ROTARY’S POLIO CHALLENGE**
Rotary International and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation announced an extension of their existing fundraising partnership that could generate up to US$525 million in new money for polio eradication as the global effort to end this crippling disease enters its critical endgame phase.

Under the new agreement, announced before an audience of more than 20,000 Rotary members from 160 countries gathered in Lisbon for the humanitarian group’s annual convention, the Gates Foundation will match 2 for 1 every new dollar Rotary commits to polio eradication up to $35 million per year through 2018!

**THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING ROTARY AND LEVERAGING YOUR GENEROSITY!**

WEEK 21

**HUMANITARIAN GRANT OPTIONS** As mentioned in a different week there are grants for many things including humanitarian projects such as: (1) **District Grants** to help Rotary districts support short-term or long term humanitarian projects (they also support non-humanitarian projects like scholarships, exchange teams and more) (2) **Global Grants** to support international service projects involving Rotary Clubs or Districts in two or more countries; which fund long-term, sustainable, measurable grassroots development projects in one of The Rotary Foundation’s six areas of focus.

**YOU CAN BE A PART OF ACCESSING THESE GRANTS FOR WORTHY PROJECTS!**
JUST WHAT ARE PACKAGED GRANTS? Packaged grants are designed by Rotary and our strategic partners to help you carry out large-scale, sustainable projects. Because we’ve taken care of selecting partners, raising funds, and designing the project, you can focus your energy and expertise on bringing the project to life. Like global grants, packaged grants support our areas of focus and can include scholarships, humanitarian projects, and vocational training. The key difference is that the project's framework is provided for you.

We offer nursing scholarships and training for health educators with our partner Aga Khan University. With our partner UNESCO-IHE Institute for Water Education, we fund scholarships for water and sanitation professionals. Vocational training and medical service teams work with our partner Mercy Ships. These grants are funded 100% by the World Fund.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE ROTARY FOUNDATION'S GRANT PROGRAM.

YOU CAN YOU BE PART OF THE GRANTS CADRE OF TECHNICAL ADVISORS
Supporting Humanitarian Grants Program, Global Grants Cadre of Technical Advisors is a registry of Rotarians who provide technical expertise to The Rotary Foundation and Rotarians who develop and implement large scale projects. Cadre members serve in countries other than their own, and they conduct on-site project visits for two to three days with written reports upon their return. The Rotary Foundation pays for a per diem and roundtrip air-fare. The cadre is in need of Rotarians qualified in the following fields: Health, Education/Literacy, Small Business/Revolving Loans (micro credit), and Financial Auditing (chartered accountants and certified public accountants), and more. Additionally, it is really helpful for those that can speak French, Spanish, Portuguese and other language skills.

ARE YOU READY TO SIGN UP? THE NEED TO DO GOOD WORK IN THE WORLD IS REAL!
WEEK 24

WHAT IS A ROTARY FOUNDATION GLOBAL GRANT SCHOLARSHIP? Established in 1947, the original Ambassadorial Scholarship program, valued in excess of $20,000 was designed to further international understanding and friendly relations among people of different countries. With the launch of the Rotary Grants model, scholarships are now used to fund study by graduate students whose career goals support an area of focus. The funding is the same as a Humanitarian global grant with a minimum scholarship amount of US$30,000. Upon returning home, Rotary Scholars share with Rotarians and others their experiences that led to a greater understanding of their host country, and what career they will go into in order to meet the six areas of focus and spread good will and understanding.

WHY DON'T YOU NOMINATE A GRADUATE STUDENT FOR A SCHOLARSHIP?

WEEK 25

WORDS FROM A PAST ROTARY FOUNDATION AMBASSADORIAL SCHOLAR: “The Rotary Foundation’s programs are all the more important because we live in a world of sharp contrasts: fear and hope, illness and good health, poverty and wealth. Worse, we live in a world in which inequalities of income, unemployment - and presumably exclusion from well-being - have sensibly increased in the last fifteen years, not so much between countries, but with countries, developed and developing alike. In such a situation, the role of The Rotary Foundation is of the utmost importance.” French Professor Rene Munier, 1967-78 Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholar

WEEK 26

ROTARY DIRECT TESTIMONIAL FROM TERRY ZIEGLER IN 2014 “I received my Gift Acknowledgement from Rotary International today recognizing the contributions I made on a credit card through Rotary Direct in 2013. This is one more reason to give by Rotary Direct - you get one Gift Statement at the end of the year rather than each time you mail a check. That's in addition to the fact that it's automatic, it's easy - no checks to mail, no stamp cost (going up soon), and the fact that Rotary has determined that it costs them less to process contributions from credit cards than checks due to the low rate they pay, the rebate they receive from Visa ($ millions currently going to PolioPlus) and the labor required to process large numbers of checks.”

ROTARY DIRECT IS SAFE, SECURE AND EASY...SIGN UP TODAY!
WEEK 27

**HOW THE ROTARY FOUNDATION TOUCHED ONE PERSON’S LIFE:** “What we do is touch other people... open the horizon to them... say ‘You matter.’ You see, the five men who chose me to become a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar are gone... but they’re not. They never will be. Because along the way, I will in my own way share with others - and have - what those five men and the 60 members of the Marshall (Texas) Rotary and the tens of thousands of other members of Rotary did in 1956 when they said, ‘Bill Moyers, you can matter.” Bill Moyers, TV journalist and commentator, and former Deputy Director of the Peace Corps.

WEEK 28

**Distinguished Rotary Foundation Alumni:** Some of the world’s most distinguished leaders are alumni of Rotary’s programs (current and past), including: Ambassador Otto Borch of Denmark, the late Carlos Alberto da Monta Pinto, Prime Minister of Portugal; Sadako Ogata, the former UN High Commissioner for Refugees; Bill Moyers, prominent television journalist and former deputy director of the U.S. Peace Corps; Paul Volcker, professor, economist and former chairman of the U.S. Federal Reserve Bank; Sir William Dean, last governor of the Commonwealth of Australia; Philip Lader, former U.S. Ambassador to Great Britain; and renowned pianist Van Cliburn, winner of the first Tchaikovsky International Piano Competition in Moscow.

**THERE ARE MANY OTHERS AS WELL. WHO CAN YOU RECOMMEND THAT WOULD BE AN EXCELLENT ROTARY SCHOLAR?**

WEEK 29

**DO LARGE GRANTS EVER TAKE PLACE HERE?** Yes! Rotary global grants can have large projects, scholarships, vocational teams all here in the US or in Canada...or in any Rotary country/region. One of the most amazing aspects of our great foundation is that there are opportunities for large projects where ever there is need. Criteria must be met but there have been and will continue to have large-scale projects in “developed” countries. If you want to see them in motion go to vimeo.com and view the wonderful Grant done after Katrina hit...See your Foundation and other nations come together to help where there is great need!

**YOUR FOUNDATION SUPPORTS THOSE IN NEED WHICH MAY BE IN YOUR TOWN!**
WEEK 30

WHAT IS A ROTARY PEACE FELLOW? Established in 2002, each year, Rotary selects individuals from around the world to receive fully funded academic fellowships at one of the peace centers. These fellowships cover tuition and fees, room and board, round-trip transportation, and all internship/field study expenses. Two types of peace fellowships are available. We offer master’s degree fellowships at premier universities in fields related to peace and conflict resolution and prevention. Programs last 15–24 months and require a practical internship of 2–3 months during the academic break. Each year we award up to 50 master’s fellowships from these institutions:

- Duke University and University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, US
- International Christian University, Japan
- University of Bradford, UK
- University of Queensland, Australia
- Uppsala University, Sweden

HAVE SOMEONE IN MIND? NOMINATE BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE.

WEEK 31

WHAT IS A ROTARY FOUNDATION GLOBAL GRANT FOR VOCATIONAL TRAINING? Established in 1965-66, the Group Study Exchange Program was an educational program that promoted international understanding through organized travel and personal contact. The program evolved as Rotary updated its grant model and placed this activity within global grants. Vocational training under global grants builds skills within a community by offering local training or by supporting groups of professionals traveling abroad for rigorous study in their profession or to teach local professionals about a particular field. This type of training is often effective in conjunction with a humanitarian project.

YOU CAN VOLUNTEER TO BE A VOCATIONAL TRAINING TEAM LEADER OR NOMINATE A NON-ROTARIAN VOCATIONAL TRAINING TEAM MEMBER - WHICH WILL IT BE?

WEEK 32

WORDS FROM A FORMER GROUP STUDY EXCHANGE TEAM MEMBER: “In Warsaw, Wojciech Sierpinski, a Rotary Club President, took me on a tour that I will never forget. We visited his parent’s house - where they lived during World War II. There in the kitchen, under a dusty stack of crates was a secret wood panel in the floor. Wojciech removed the panel to reveal a tiny room underneath the kitchen floor where his parents hid their neighbors - a Jewish family - during the war. As I stood speechless, listening to Wojciech describe how they evaded the Nazis, I realized the full value of the Group Study Exchange program.” Ian Oxman, Group Study Exchange member from California.
WEEK 33

WHAT ARE SOME FINANCIAL BEST PRACTICES WITH GRANT FUNDS?

- Follow your spending plan to distribute and use grant funds for the stated purpose in a timely manner.
- Make project-related expenditures by check or other traceable method.
- If payments are made electronically by one person, maintain a paper trail showing that the payment was approved by both signatories.
- Maintain detailed receipts and record each transaction in a ledger. The ledger should list each transaction, noting the date, amount, and reason for the transaction.
- Make sure to share the information so grants run smoothly and funds are secure!

THANK YOU FOR MAKING OUR GRANT OVERSIGHT TOP NOTCH!

WEEK 34

WHAT IS SHARE? Through SHARE, Rotary districts share in the decision-making process by choosing which Rotary Foundation programs they wish to support and participate in. The Annual Fund SHARE system is the mechanism by which Rotary Foundation program awards are distributed worldwide. Through the SHARE system, contributions to The Rotary Foundation are transformed into District Designated Funds (DDF)—the funds your district can allocate and to the World Funds-The funds the Trustees allocate. By giving to Annual Fund-SHARE we support both local and international efforts!

YOU CAN HELP OUR DISTRICT AND SUPPORT AMAZING PROJECTS BY GIVING TO THE ANNUAL FUND-SHARE DESIGNATION.

WEEK 35

LAST WEEK I TOLD YOU WHAT SHARE WAS; NOW I’LL TELL YOU WHY IT IS CALLED SHARE. The Rotary Foundation’s funding system is called SHARE because the name defines what the system does:

(1) Rotarians SHARE their resources with their fellow Rotarians around the world;

(2) The Rotary Foundation Trustees SHARE some of their decision-making responsibilities with the 540 Rotary Districts; and

(3) Rotarians SHARE Rotary with the world through their Rotary Foundation.

READY TO BECOME INVOLVED? ASK ME, AND I’LL LET YOU KNOW HOW!
WEEK 36

**WHAT IS THE ROTARY FOUNDATION’S “WORLD FUND”?**  At the end of every contribution year, each Rotary district’s contributions to the Annual Programs Fund are divided into two funds: 50 percent is credited to the World Fund (WF) and 50 percent is credited to the District Designated Fund (DDF). The World Fund is used by The Rotary Foundation to pay for the worldwide programs available to all Rotary districts, regardless of specific contributions.

**IT IS THIS FUNDING FORMULA WHICH TRULY MAKES THE ROTARY FOUNDATION AN INTEGRAL PART OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL.**

WEEK 37

**DO ALL OF OUR COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS HAVE TO BE DONE THROUGH THE FOUNDATION?**  
The answer is no, however it is a wonderful way to get involved in your community. Community service projects are born when Rotary clubs from two or more countries join together to accomplish a community service project. These projects link and connect ideas from Rotary Clubs needing extra help with clubs in other countries that are willing to provide funds, materials and technical and professional assistance. Please share your service projects with the Rotary world and friends of Rotary by going to [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org), [www.ideas.rotary.org](http://www.ideas.rotary.org) and then sharing your project on Rotary showcase.

**ARE YOU READY TO GET INVOLVED IN A COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT?**

WEEK 38

**WHAT IS THE ROTARY FOUNDATION’S “DISTRICT DESIGNATED FUND”?**  At the end of every contribution year, each Rotary district’s contributions to the Annual Fund are divided into two funds. 50 percent is credited to the District Designated Fund (DDF). The District Designated Fund is allocated by the District to fund the Rotary Foundation programs in which it chooses to participate, such as District Grants, Global Grants or Polio! DDF even receives a 100% match from our Foundation when used in a Global Grant.

**IT IS THIS FUNDING FORMULA WHICH TRULY MAKES THE ROTARY FOUNDATION AN INTEGRAL PART OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL IN OUR HOME COMMUNITIES.**

WEEK 39
WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE ROTARY FOUNDATION STORY TO SHARE?

I'll go first......

AS WE COME TOGETHER EACH WEEK FOR FRIENDSHIP AND SERVICE LET'S REMEMBER ALL THE GOOD WE HAVE DONE. AND LET'S MAKE SURE TO SHARE THAT GOOD WITH THE WORLD!

WEEK 40

DISTRICT GRANTS - HELPING AT HOME Have we as a club spoken to the District Governor or our District Rotary Foundation Chair about what we want to do as a club? What do we want to do? Is there a project we would all find worthy? If so, let’s take action and get Foundation funds to come together as a club and change the world....on project at a time

WHAT WILL OUR PROJECT BE?

WEEK 41

WHAT IS THE ROTARY FOUNDATION'S FUNDING CYCLE? The Rotary Foundation has a unique funding cycle that utilizes contributions for programs three years after they are received. The three year cycle gives districts time for program planning and participant selections, and allows The Rotary Foundation to invest the contributions. The earnings from those investments help pay for administration, program operations and fund development costs. Your contribution in Rotary year 2013-14 will be invested in Rotary year 2014-15, and projects will be selected in Rotary year 2015-16, with the funds actually spent in Rotary year 2016-17.

WITH PLENTY OF TIME TO BE INVOLVED IN HOW YOUR DONATION IS SPENT, PLEASE SUPPORT THE ROTARY FOUNDATION NOW AND GET INVOLVED IN PLANNING FUTURE PROJECTS!

WEEK 42

The Rotary Foundation Weekly Messages (February 2014)
WHY IS THERE A NEW ROTARY GRANTS MODEL?

In anticipation of The Rotary Foundation’s 100-year anniversary in 2017, the Trustees set out to develop a plan to move the Foundation towards its second century of service.

The Foundation has made only slight modifications to its programs since its inception and the Trustees sought input from a wide variety of stakeholders through interviews, surveys, focus groups and input sessions in developing that Plan (known previously as Future Vision). The plan updates the Foundation’s mission and creates a more effective and efficient way to help Rotarians develop diverse projects with greater impact and sustainable outcomes.

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION’S NEW GRANT MODEL WILL EMPOWER ROTARIANS TO CONTINUE ADVANCING WORLD UNDERSTANDING, GOODWILL, AND PEACE THROUGH THE IMPROVEMENT OF HEALTH, THE SUPPORT OF EDUCATION, AND THE ALLEVIATION OF POVERTY!

WEEK 43

WHAT IS THE NEW GRANT MODEL DESIGNED TO DO?

- Simplify Foundation programs and processes consistent with the mission;
- Focus Rotarian service efforts where they will have the greatest impact by addressing priority world needs that are relevant to Rotarians;
- Offer program options to help achieve both global and local goals;
- Increase the sense of ownership at the district and club levels by transferring more decisions to the districts; and
- Gain greater understanding of The Rotary Foundation’s work and enhance Rotary’s public image.

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION – CONTINUING TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN OUR WORLD!

WEEK 44

WHAT ARE THE SIX AREAS OF FOCUS?

1. Peace and conflict prevention/resolution
2. Disease prevention and treatment
3. Water and sanitation
4. Maternal and child health
5. Basic education and literacy
6. Economic and community development

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION – CONTINUING TO EMPOWER ROTARIANS AT HOME AND ABROAD AS WE CONTINUE TO FOCUS THE “GOOD WE DO IN THE WORLD.”
WEEK 45

**WHAT CAN YOUR $100.00 DONATION TO THE ROTARY FOUNDATION DO?**

Your $100 donation to The Rotary Foundation can help provide textbooks for one elementary school in Zambia, provide a hearing aid for a deaf child in Pakistan, buy de-worming tablets for 112 children in the Philippines, pay for cataract operations for three blind people in India, or provide 230 blankets for the elderly in the winter months of Korea.

**YOU CAN COMMIT TODAY TO DONATING $100 OR MORE PER YEAR TO THE ROTARY FOUNDATION AND START MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN PEOPLE’S LIVES. WILL YOU?**

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WEEK 46

**WHAT CAN YOUR $500.00 DONATION TO THE ROTARY FOUNDATION DO?**

Your $500 donation to The Rotary Foundation can help provide a watch repair business for six disabled workers in the Philippines, purchase safety equipment for a boat providing public health services to isolated river villages in Peru, provide prosthetic limbs for 12 disable people in Thailand/Cambodia, or buy five small sewing businesses to give poor mothers in Mexico a better ability to lead self-sufficient lives.

**CAN YOU COMMIT TODAY TO DONATING $500 PER YEAR TO THE ROTARY FOUNDATION AND START MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN PEOPLE’S LIVES. WILL YOU?**

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WEEK 47

**WHAT CAN YOUR $1,000 DONATION TO THE ROTARY FOUNDATION DO?**

Your $1,000.00 donation to The Rotary Foundation can help provide all materials necessary for the construction of a deep bore well in India which supplies clean drinking water to more than 300 people, materials to treat and prevent parasites and anemia in need children in Uruguaiana, R.S., Brazil, or purchase a tree nursery in Jamaica that will annually produce 5,000 tree seedlings and increase family income for 700 farmers, or provide artificial limbs to 25 disabled persons in Calcutta, India, or buy kitchen equipment for an orphanage in Peru, or provide a cow and animal husbandry training to a widow in Uganda where civil war shattered the economy and children die because of a lack of protein and calcium in their diets, or buy polio vaccine for 2,000 babies in Nigeria, or fund enough textbooks to educate 2,000 children in a school in Papua New Guinea, or provide 20 $50.00 micro-loans enabling women in Nicaragua to start a craft business to support their families.

**CAN YOU COMMIT TODAY TO DONATING $1,000 PER YEAR TO THE ROTARY FOUNDATION & START MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN PEOPLE’S LIVES. WILL YOU?**
WEEK 48

**WHAT TYPES OF ROTARY FOUNDATION RECOGNITION EXIST FOR CLUBS?**

**100 Percent Paul Harris Fellow Club:** Rotary Clubs in which 100 percent of all dues paying members are Paul Harris Fellows receive special recognition from the Rotary Foundation. Qualifying Rotary Clubs receive a special club recognition banner and join an elite group of clubs.

The Trustees of The Rotary Foundation also present club recognition banners each year to the three Rotary Clubs in each District with the highest per capita in Annual Fund Giving.

**100 Percent Rotary Foundation Sustaining Member Club Banner:** Rotary Clubs in which 100 percent of all dues paying members as of June 30th have donated at least $100 to The Rotary Foundation’s Annual Fund.

**100 Percent Every Rotarian Every Year Club Banner:** Rotary Clubs in which 100 percent of all dues paying members as of June 30th have donated some amount to The Rotary Foundation’s Annual Fund and the average per capita club giving is at least US$100.

**WILL OUR CLUB BE RECOGNIZED BY THE ROTARY FOUNDATION THIS YEAR?**

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WEEK 49

**MATCHING MONEY WITH PEOPLE FOR POSITIVE RESULTS.** The Rotary Foundation has been so effective because it matches money with people. In the words of Arch C. Klumph: “Money alone does little good. Individual service is helpless without money. The two together can be a Godsend to civilization.”

**YOUR FINANCIAL RESOURCES AND YOUR TIME, ENERGY AND TALENT ARE USEFUL IN THE ROTARY MISSION. THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS AND YOUR EFFORTS IN SUPPORT OF THE ROTARY FOUNDATION AND ROTARY INTERNATIONAL.**

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WEEK 50

**WHAT KIND OF ROTARY SERVICE AWARDS ARE THERE?**

**District Service Award** recognizes Rotarians at the District level who serve humanity through Rotary Foundation programs and are awarded by the District Governor.

**Citation for Meritorious Service** recognizes one Rotarian from each District during each Rotary year for demonstrated active service to the Rotary Foundation.

**Distinguished Service Award** is The Rotary Foundation’s highest service award and recognizes the recipients’ exemplary service to The Rotary Foundation which must extend beyond the District level and over an extended period of time.
YOU CAN HELP NOMINATE ANY WORTHY ROTARIAN FOR ANY OF THESE AWARDS.

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE ROTARY FOUNDATION THIS PAST YEAR, AND PLEASE REMEMBER THAT THE NEED FOR THE ROTARY FOUNDATION’S PROGRAMS NEVER ENDS AND THE NEED FOR YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT AND PARTICIPATION NEVER ENDS. THE MISSION OF THE ROTARY FOUNDATION TO DO GOOD WORK WILL CONTINUE LONG INTO THE FUTURE. WE SHOULD BE PROUD OF OUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS AS THIS HAS BEEN ONE AMAZING YEAR!