

Suggestions For Presentation Of Paul Harris Fellow Recognition

The presentation of a Paul Harris Fellow recognition is always an occasion for public attention. A Rotary district conference offers a good opportunity for a presentation ceremony, but so does a regular club meeting - perhaps with a Foundation-related program or during a visit of the district governor. The local news media should be notified with an informative news release and invited to cover the event, whatever occasion is chosen.

If you are the donor and a new Paul Harris Fellow, consider suggesting to your club president that this presentation be made publicly so that Rotarians will realize what their Foundation is doing and how it is supported.

The following is a list of Foundation-related materials which may be useful to distribute at a recognition and/or Foundation event:

- CD4-926C: Paul Harris Live (videotape)
- RF3-065-EN: The Rotary Foundation: The International Vision of Rotary (videotape)
- RF3-101-EN: The Rotary Foundation Fact Book
- RF3-159-EN: The Rotary Foundation Fact Card

Please call the Rotary International Order Desk at 847-866-4600 for more details or to order.

If there are problems with this recognition package or if you have any questions, please call 847-866-3000 and ask to speak with your Donor Services Representative. Or write the Donor Services Section at One Rotary Center, 1560 Sherman Avenue, Evanston, Illinois, 60201 USA.

Remarks for Presentation When the Paul Harris Fellow Recipient is the Donor:

The presentation of Paul Harris Fellow recognition is The Rotary Foundation's way of expressing its appreciation for a substantial contribution to its humanitarian and educational programs. It is named for our founder, Paul Harris, a Chicago lawyer who started Rotary International with three business associates in 1905.

We move closer to a world of peace and good will today as (name _____) becomes a Paul Harris Fellow. (His/Her) gift to The Rotary Foundation's educational and humanitarian programs is a commitment to peace and to a better life for people across the world whom (he/she) may never meet. This is a truly selfless action.

(Name _____), it is because of gifts like yours that The Rotary Foundation is able to carry out an array of programs that achieve beneficial changes in our world: improved living conditions, increased food production, better education, wider availability of treatment and rehabilitation for the sick and disabled, new channels for the flow of international understanding, and brighter hopes for peace.

In becoming a Paul Harris Fellow, (name _____) joins a remarkable company of persons throughout the world, all recognized for their devotion to the ideal of good will, peace and understanding. It is the goal of Rotarians the world over, and one that (name _____) clearly shares.

It gives me great pleasure, (name _____), to present you with the three emblems of appreciation given to a Paul Harris Fellow -- certificate, medallion and pin. We congratulate you and we thank you for your commitment to the programs of The Rotary Foundation.

Remarks for Presentation When the Paul Harris Fellow Recipient is NOT the Donor:

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Rotarians often designate a Paul Harris Fellow as a tribute to a person whose life demonstrates a shared purpose with the objectives of The Rotary Foundation. Today we have the honor and pleasure of recognizing (name _____) as (he/she) becomes a Paul Harris Fellow.

(The following optional sentence may be added if donor is to be announced.)

(He/She) was designated to receive this recognition as a special expression of appreciation from (name of individual or group making the PHF).

A world of peace and good will comes closer to reality today as (name _____) becomes a Paul Harris Fellow. It is because of gifts like the one made in (name's _____) honor that The Rotary Foundation is able to carry out an array of programs that achieve beneficial changes in our world: improved living conditions, increased food production, better education, wider availability of treatment and rehabilitation for the sick and disabled, new channels for the flow of international understanding, and brighter hopes for peace.

A contribution to The Rotary Foundation is an investment in the ideal of good will, peace and understanding. That is an ideal held high by Rotarians the world over, and one that (name _____) clearly shares. Working with such individuals of good will, we believe the ideal will become a reality.

It gives me great pleasure, (name _____), to present to you the three emblems of appreciation given to a Paul Harris Fellow -- certificate, medallion and pin. Please accept our congratulations and sincere thanks, for your commitment to our common goals of world understanding and peace.