

The presentation items include a Major Donor crystal and a diamond pin corresponding to the level of gift, and a letter from the Chairman of the Trustees. The name or names of the donors are engraved on the crystal. There should be a diamond pin for each donor. Public expressions of appreciation are recommended. Therefore, please take time during a club meeting and district event to make a meaningful presentation. Because some donors prefer to remain anonymous, however, the Trustees ask that you confer first with the recipient about a public presentation. These suggested remarks are intended as a guide for the presenter.

Suggested Remarks for Appreciation Presentation

Today, the Trustees of The Rotary Foundation and I have the honor to express appreciation to a *couple (an individual)* who has made a substantial contribution toward the goal of international understanding and peace. In doing so, *they (he/she)* support and honor the humanitarian and educational programs of The Rotary Foundation that make a difference in the lives of others. It gives me great pleasure to announce that **(first and last names)** _____ have (has) made contributions to the programs of The Rotary Foundation that qualify them (him/her) as (a) Major Donor(s) at level ____ **(please identify the appropriate level number, NOT the dollar amount).**

(Names) _____ please come forward and accept our congratulations and appreciation.

(First Names) _____, as (a) Major Donor(s) you are among a dedicated group of humanitarians who have committed themselves to helping others less fortunate. This special group of persons who are changing lives of children, young people, and adults through a legacy of hope. In appreciation for this investment in the future of humanity, the Trustees wish to express their gratitude by presenting this crystal and diamond pin(s). The crystal is engraved with your name(s) and depicts doves bearing olive branches—universal symbols of peace. (Present the crystal and pin. The presenter may also wish to encourage the recipients to share why they support The Rotary Foundation).

Contributions like yours enable the Foundation to carry out an array of programs through Rotarians and Rotary clubs around the globe that:

- improve living conditions for needy families locally and globally;
- increase food production and clean water programs;
- provide equipment and educational materials for schools
- allay the suffering of the sick and disabled by providing immunization, medical treatment; and rehabilitation, and;
- provide new channels for international understanding, and brighter hopes for peace through Group Study Exchanges, Ambassadorial Scholarships, and Rotary World Peace Fellows.

Thank you again, (first names) _____, for your generous support. Ladies and gentlemen, please join me in thanking these (this) Major Donor(s) of The Rotary Foundation.

