



## 扶輪基金會主委文告

許多好的募款構想都來自各位，在基層實作的扶輪社員。我可以想到有兩個沿襲至今的構想，二者都來自熱心、忠誠扶輪社員的創意，他們看到有必要增進對扶輪基金會的認識，並採取具體行動。

其中一個是保羅·哈理斯協會 (Paul Harris Society)。1999 年，加州 5340 地區的扶輪社員韋恩·庫西克 Wayne Cusick 提出為願意每年捐贈 1 千美元給基金會的人設立一個特別的組織。第一年，有 55 名社員加入。這個數字在隔年倍增。目前全球約有 119 個地區都有保羅·哈理斯協會的計畫，會員人數超過 2 萬 2 千人。欲知詳情請至 [rotary.org/paulharrissociety](http://rotary.org/paulharrissociety)。

另一個是白帽協會 (White Hat Society)。2004 年，美國德州 5870 地區的艾德·穆蘭 Ed Mullen 和比爾·布萊斯 Bill Bryce 在參加扶輪研習會時，挑戰彼此捐出 5 千美元，並找到另一位扶輪社員也這麼做。他們一天之內募集到 7 萬 5 千美元。今天，該會在 5 個國家 38 個地區約有 450 名會員，捐款總額超過 500 萬美元。各種不同的捐款額度，均可獲得特別的白帽協會表彰。社員並不一定要每年捐款。請至 [taptrain.com/rotary](http://taptrain.com/rotary) 瞭解加入方式。

我想要跟各位分享一個對我來說有特別意義的機會，就是保存保羅·哈理斯夫婦的長期住所。參與「保羅與珍·哈理斯之家基金會」(Paul and Jean Harris Home Foundation) 的扶輪社員已經購買這棟住宅，目前正在整修。

這項計畫是由國際扶輪理事，芝加哥 (Chicago) 扶輪社社員羅伯·紐佛二世 Robert. C. Knuepfer 主持，讓這一部份的扶輪歷史得以保存。可以到 [paulharrishome.org](http://paulharrishome.org) 進一步瞭解這項有意義的計畫。

請考慮跟我一樣加入保羅·哈理斯協會及白帽協會，並支持保羅與珍·哈理斯之家基金會。

**Ron D. Burton** 朗伯騰  
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## A Message from The Foundation Chair

Many good fundraising ideas come from you, Rotarians in the field. Over the years, I can think of a couple that have caught on. They both began in the creative minds of committed, dedicated Rotarians who saw a need to raise awareness of The Rotary Foundation and took action.

One is the Paul Harris Society. In 1999, Rotarian Wayne Cusick from District 5340 in California had the idea of creating a special group of individuals who would contribute \$1,000 to the Foundation on an annual basis. That first year, 55 members signed up. The number doubled the next year. Today some 119 districts have a Paul Harris Society program with a membership in excess of 22,000. For more information, go to [rotary.org/paulharrissociety](http://rotary.org/paulharrissociety).

Another is the White Hat Society. While attending a Rotary institute in 2004, Ed Mullen and Bill Bryce from District 5870 in Texas challenged each other to contribute \$5,000 and recruit another Rotarian to do the same. They raised \$75,000 in one day. Today, there are some 450 members in 38 districts in five countries. Contributions have exceeded \$5 million. Various giving levels are available, and each one is eligible for special White Hat Society recognition. Membership does not require an annual contribution. Visit [taptrain.com/rotary](http://taptrain.com/rotary) to find out how you can join.

I would like to share with you one more opportunity that is of special importance to me. It is the preservation of the longtime home of Paul and Jean Harris. Rotarians involved in the Paul and Jean Harris Home Foundation have acquired the property and are renovating it.

The project has been spearheaded by RI Director Robert C. Knuepfer Jr., a member of the Rotary Club of Chicago, so that this piece of Rotary history is preserved. Learn more about this worthy project by visiting [paulharrishome.org](http://paulharrishome.org).

Please consider joining me in becoming a member of the Paul Harris Society or the White Hat Society, and in supporting the Paul and Jean Harris Home Foundation.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ron D. Burton". The signature is stylized and cursive.

**Ron D. Burton**  
FOUNDATION TRUSTEE CHAIR