

## president's travels

### Taiwan

RI President Frank J. Devlyn meets with Taiwan's President Chen Shui Bien, an honorary Rotarian, in the capital of Taipei. He also met with Lu Shui Lien, Taiwan's vice president; Dr. Ying-Jeou Ma, the mayor of Taipei; various government leaders, hundreds of Taiwanese Rotarians and all seven of Taiwan's district governors. At a special dinner hosted by District 3480, two district governors of Taiwan contributed U.S. \$10,000 each toward RI's avoidable blindness initiative. The other five district governors pledged similar support for avoidable blindness projects.



### USA

President Devlyn presents an award of a bronze PolioPlus statue to Mickey Ibarra, assistant to former U.S. President Bill Clinton, in recognition of the U.S. government's contribution of nearly \$540 million to the global polio eradication effort. President Devlyn was accompanied by District Governor (7620) Thomas L. Kwako of Bethesda, Md., and Past District Governor (7630) Bernard Ableman of Wilmington, Del. The statue is a replica of a large sculpture that stands outside RI World Headquarters (story on page 54).



### Switzerland

In a dazzling display of Rotary harmony, a quartet of past and present Rotary leaders hit the right notes before 700 Rotarians attending the 2000 RI Institute in Lucerne. From left to right: RI Director Mario Grassi (on clarinet), Past RI President Robert R. Barth (accordion), RI President Frank Devlyn (bass violin), and Past RI President Carlo Ravizza (soprano sax).