



-Dennis Coke

Dennis Lalor, chairman of the University of the West Indies (UWI) Development and Endowment Fund, gives a listening ear to Glynne Manley, executive director of the Fund, during the launch of an appeal at the UWI Centre for Environment and Development, Mona, last week. They are seeking to raise \$500 million over the next five years for the continued development of the University. ■

Sir Philip gets Chancellor's Medal

IN A private ceremony on Tuesday morning the Chancellor of the University of the West Indies, Sir Shridath Ramphal, accompanied by Sir Alister McIntyre, Vice Chancellor, Sir Keith Hunte, principal of Cave Hill Campus, Dr. Ken Hall, principal of Mona Campus and Mrs. Joy Pilgrim, deputy university registrar, presented Sir Philip Sherlock with the first Chancellor's Medal.

According to a release from the university, the presentation marked the inauguration of this medal which will be given sparingly and periodically, on a personal basis, to signify service to the University of the West Indies of an extraordinary and superlative nature.

Chancellor Ramphal, in greeting Sir Philip, described him as the founding father of the university, and stressed that it was the unanimous wish of the institution that this first medal should be awarded to him as a small token of the regard, the esteem and the affection in which he is held and in which Lady Sherlock shares, and he asked him to accept it with the love of the University.

He assured him that the ceremony, which took place in the intimate setting of Sir Philip's

home, would be recounted at the Convocation for the 50th anniversary which will take place on Saturday on the Mona Campus and which Sir Philip and Lady Sherlock are unable to attend.

Social cohesion

Sir Philip, in his reply, thanked the Chancellor for the sentiments expressed and assured him that he appreciated his presence and those of the group and would treasure the award. He presented them with an essay which took the form of a message of love, gratitude and faith.

He spoke of the challenges of the new millennium - challenges which started some 50 years ago with the coming of the atomic age.

With the dramatic changes which have resulted in mind power replacing muscle power, there is a greater than ever need for universities and places of learning to prepare people for the social cohesion which will be necessary in the world which is now becoming a global village, he said.

He ended his remarks by thanking God and all those who had helped him along the journey which had brought him to "this moment in time".