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Form **990-PF**

**Return of Private Foundation
or Section 4947(a)(1) Nonexempt Charitable Trust
Treated as a Private Foundation**

OMB No 1545-0052
2012
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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Note. The foundation may be able to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements

For calendar year 2012, or tax year beginning 01-01-2012 , and ending 12-31-2012

Name of foundation CUSSLER MUSEUM		A Employer identification number 75-3142345
Number and street (or P O box number if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite 14959 W 69TH AVENUE		B Telephone number (see instructions) (303) 420-2795
City or town, state, and ZIP code ARVADA, CO 80007		C If exemption application is pending, check here <input type="checkbox"/>
G Check all that apply: <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return of a former public charity <input type="checkbox"/> Final return <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change		D 1. Foreign organizations, check here <input type="checkbox"/> 2. Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation <input type="checkbox"/>
H Check type of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation <input type="checkbox"/> Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust <input type="checkbox"/> Other taxable private foundation		E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here <input type="checkbox"/> F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here <input type="checkbox"/>
I Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col. (c), line 16) \$ 3,707,920	J Accounting method: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____ (Part I, column (d) must be on cash basis.)	

Part I Analysis of Revenue and Expenses <small>(The total of amounts in columns (b), (c), and (d) may not necessarily equal the amounts in column (a) (see instructions))</small>		(a) Revenue and expenses per books	(b) Net investment income	(c) Adjusted net income	(d) Disbursements for charitable purposes (cash basis only)
Revenue	1 Contributions, gifts, grants, etc , received (attach schedule)	300,000			
	2 Check <input type="checkbox"/> if the foundation is not required to attach Sch B				
	3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments				
	4 Dividends and interest from securities.				
	5a Gross rents	3,400	3,400	3,400	
	b Net rental income or (loss) <u>3,400</u>				
	6a Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10				
	b Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a _____				
	7 Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)				
	8 Net short-term capital gain				
	9 Income modifications				
	10a Gross sales less returns and allowances <u>13,054</u>				
	b Less Cost of goods sold <u>6,057</u>				
	c Gross profit or (loss) (attach schedule)	6,997		6,997	
	11 Other income (attach schedule)	25,438		25,438	
	12 Total. Add lines 1 through 11	335,835	3,400	35,835	
Operating and Administrative Expenses	13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc	56,250	550		55,700
	14 Other employee salaries and wages	147,711			147,711
	15 Pension plans, employee benefits	16,832			16,832
	16a Legal fees (attach schedule)				
	b Accounting fees (attach schedule)	6,548			6,548
	c Other professional fees (attach schedule)				
	17 Interest				
	18 Taxes (attach schedule) (see instructions)	1,402	445		957
	19 Depreciation (attach schedule) and depletion	7,872			
	20 Occupancy	16,007			16,007
	21 Travel, conferences, and meetings	5,161			5,161
	22 Printing and publications				
	23 Other expenses (attach schedule)	24,644	2,761		21,883
	24 Total operating and administrative expenses. Add lines 13 through 23	282,427	3,756		270,799
	25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid	0			0
	26 Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25	282,427	3,756		270,799
	27 Subtract line 26 from line 12				
	a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements	53,408			
	b Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)		0		
	c Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-)			35,835	

Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only (See instructions)

Part II Balance Sheets		Beginning of year		End of year	
		(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value	
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	287,694	427,196	427,196	
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments				
	3 Accounts receivable ▶ <u>19,181</u>				
	Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ _____	108,085	19,181	19,181	
	4 Pledges receivable ▶ _____				
	Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ _____				
	5 Grants receivable				
	6 Receivables due from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons (attach schedule) (see page 15 of the instructions)				
	7 Other notes and loans receivable (attach schedule) ▶ _____				
	Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ _____				
	8 Inventories for sale or use	9,600	20,825	20,825	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges				
	10a Investments—U S and state government obligations (attach schedule)				
	b Investments—corporate stock (attach schedule)				
	c Investments—corporate bonds (attach schedule)				
	11 Investments—land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ _____				
Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶ _____					
12 Investments—mortgage loans					
13 Investments—other (attach schedule)					
14 Land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ <u>126,329</u>					
Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶ <u>82,040</u>	51,280	44,289	44,289		
15 Other assets (describe ▶ _____)	3,196,429	3,196,429	3,196,429		
16 Total assets (to be completed by all filers—see the instructions Also, see page 1, item I)	3,653,088	3,707,920	3,707,920		
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses				
	18 Grants payable				
	19 Deferred revenue				
	20 Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons				
	21 Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule)				
22 Other liabilities (describe ▶ _____)		1,424			
23 Total liabilities (add lines 17 through 22)		1,424			
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>				
	and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.				
	24 Unrestricted				
	25 Temporarily restricted				
	26 Permanently restricted				
	Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
	and complete lines 27 through 31.				
	27 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds				
28 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg, and equipment fund					
29 Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds	3,653,088	3,706,496			
30 Total net assets or fund balances (see page 17 of the instructions)	3,653,088	3,706,496			
31 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances (see page 17 of the instructions)	3,653,088	3,707,920			

Part III Analysis of Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances

1	Total net assets or fund balances at beginning of year—Part II, column (a), line 30 (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	1	3,653,088
2	Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	53,408
3	Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ _____	3	
4	Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	3,706,496
5	Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ _____	5	
6	Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5)—Part II, column (b), line 30	6	3,706,496

Part IV Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income

(a) List and describe the kind(s) of property sold (e.g., real estate, 2-story brick warehouse, or common stock, 200 shs MLC Co)	(b) How acquired P—Purchase D—Donation	(c) Date acquired (mo, day, yr)	(d) Date sold (mo, day, yr)
1a			

(e) Gross sales price	(f) Depreciation allowed (or allowable)	(g) Cost or other basis plus expense of sale	(h) Gain or (loss) (e) plus (f) minus (g)
a			
b			
c			
d			
e			

Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69			(i) Gains (Col (h) gain minus col (k), but not less than -0-) or Losses (from col (h))
(i) FMV as of 12/31/69	(j) Adjusted basis as of 12/31/69	(k) Excess of col (i) over col (j), if any	
a			
b			
c			
d			
e			

2	Capital gain net income or (net capital loss)	{ If gain, also enter in Part I, line 7 If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 7 }	2	
3	Net short-term capital gain or (loss) as defined in sections 1222(5) and (6)		3	
	If gain, also enter in Part I, line 8, column (c) (see instructions) If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8			

Part V Qualification Under Section 4940(e) for Reduced Tax on Net Investment Income

(For optional use by domestic private foundations subject to the section 4940(a) tax on net investment income)

If section 4940(d)(2) applies, leave this part blank

Was the foundation liable for the section 4942 tax on the distributable amount of any year in the base period? Yes No
 If "Yes," the foundation does not qualify under section 4940(e) Do not complete this part

1 Enter the appropriate amount in each column for each year, see page 18 of the instructions before making any entries

(a) Base period years Calendar year (or tax year beginning in)	(b) Adjusted qualifying distributions	(c) Net value of noncharitable-use assets	(d) Distribution ratio (col (b) divided by col (c))
2011	222,558		
2010	219,165		
2009	207,354		
2008	331,710		
2007	283,248		

2	Total of line 1, column (d).	2	
3	Average distribution ratio for the 5-year base period—divide the total on line 2 by 5, or by the number of years the foundation has been in existence if less than 5 years	3	
4	Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2012 from Part X, line 5.	4	0
5	Multiply line 4 by line 3.	5	
6	Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b).	6	
7	Add lines 5 and 6.	7	0
8	Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4.	8	270,799

If line 8 is equal to or greater than line 7, check the box in Part VI, line 1b, and complete that part using a 1% tax rate See the Part VI instructions

Part VI Excise Tax Based on Investment Income (Section 4940(a), 4940(b), 4940(e), or 4948—see page 18 of the instructions)

Table with 11 main rows and sub-rows (a-d) for credits/payments. Includes fields for exempt foundations, domestic foundations, tax under section 511, add lines, subtitle A tax, tax based on investment income, and credits/payments.

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities

Table with 10 main rows (1a-10) and sub-rows (1a-10) for statements regarding activities. Includes questions about influencing legislation, political purposes, Form 1120-POL, political expenditures, and substantial contributors.

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities (continued)

11 At any time during the year, did the foundation, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," attach schedule (see instructions).	11		No
12 Did the foundation make a distribution to a donor advised fund over which the foundation or a disqualified person had advisory privileges? If "Yes," attach statement (see instructions)	12		No
13 Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application? Website address ▶ WWW CUSSLERMUSEUM COM	13	Yes	
14 The books are in care of ▶ THE CUSSLER MUSEUM Telephone no ▶ (303) 420-2795 Located at ▶ 14959 W 69TH AVENUE ARVADA CO ZIP+4 ▶ 80007			
15 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-PF in lieu of Form 1041 —Check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/> and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year ▶	15		
16 At any time during calendar year 2012, did the foundation have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a bank, securities, or other financial account in a foreign country?	16		No

See instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1 If "Yes", enter the name of the foreign country ▶

Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required

		Yes	No
File Form 4720 if any item is checked in the "Yes" column, unless an exception applies.			
1a During the year did the foundation (either directly or indirectly)			
(1) Engage in the sale or exchange, or leasing of property with a disqualified person? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			
(2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			
(3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			
(4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			
(5) Transfer any income or assets to a disqualified person (or make any of either available for the benefit or use of a disqualified person)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			
(6) Agree to pay money or property to a government official? (Exception. Check "No" if the foundation agreed to make a grant to or to employ the official for a period after termination of government service, if terminating within 90 days) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			
b If any answer is "Yes" to 1a(1)–(6), did any of the acts fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4941(d)-3 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see page 20 of the instructions)? Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here. ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	1b		
c Did the foundation engage in a prior year in any of the acts described in 1a, other than excepted acts, that were not corrected before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2012?	1c		
2 Taxes on failure to distribute income (section 4942) (does not apply for years the foundation was a private operating foundation defined in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5))			
a At the end of tax year 2012, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2012? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If "Yes," list the years ▶ 20____, 20____, 20____, 20____			
b Are there any years listed in 2a for which the foundation is not applying the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) (relating to incorrect valuation of assets) to the year's undistributed income? (If applying section 4942(a)(2) to all years listed, answer "No" and attach statement—see instructions)	2b		
c If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to any of the years listed in 2a, list the years here ▶ 20____, 20____, 20____, 20____			
3a Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			
b If "Yes," did it have excess business holdings in 2012 as a result of (1) any purchase by the foundation or disqualified persons after May 26, 1969, (2) the lapse of the 5-year period (or longer period approved by the Commissioner under section 4943(c)(7)) to dispose of holdings acquired by gift or bequest, or (3) the lapse of the 10-, 15-, or 20-year first phase holding period? (<i>Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2012.</i>)	3b		
4a Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?	4a		No
b Did the foundation make any investment in a prior year (but after December 31, 1969) that could jeopardize its charitable purpose that had not been removed from jeopardy before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2012?	4b		No

Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required (continued)

5a During the year did the foundation pay or incur any amount to

(1) Carry on propaganda, or otherwise attempt to influence legislation (section 4945(e))? Yes No

(2) Influence the outcome of any specific public election (see section 4955), or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive? Yes No

(3) Provide a grant to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes? Yes No

(4) Provide a grant to an organization other than a charitable, etc., organization described in section 509(a)(1), (2), or (3), or section 4940(d)(2)? (see instructions). Yes No

(5) Provide for any purpose other than religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals? Yes No

b If any answer is "Yes" to 5a(1)–(5), did **any** of the transactions fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4945 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see instructions)? Yes No

Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here.

c If the answer is "Yes" to question 5a(4), does the foundation claim exemption from the tax because it maintained expenditure responsibility for the grant? Yes No

If "Yes," attach the statement required by Regulations section 53.4945–5(d).

6a Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract? Yes No

b Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? Yes No

If "Yes" to 6b, file Form 8870.

7a At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? Yes No

b If yes, did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction? Yes No

Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors

1 List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation (see instructions).

(a) Name and address	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
See Additional Data Table				

2 Compensation of five highest-paid employees (other than those included on line 1—see instructions). If none, enter "NONE."

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$50,000	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
NONE				

Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000.

Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors (continued)

3 Five highest-paid independent contractors for professional services (see instructions). If none, enter "NONE".

(a) Name and address of each person paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		

Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services. **▶**

Part IX-A Summary of Direct Charitable Activities

List the foundation's four largest direct charitable activities during the tax year. Include relevant statistical information such as the number of organizations and other beneficiaries served, conferences convened, research papers produced, etc.	Expenses
1 THE MUSEUM IS OPERATED AND AVAILABLE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC TO FOSTER A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE HISTORY AND DEVELOPMENT OF ITS VINTAGE AUTOMOBILES AND PEOPLE ASSOCIATED WITH THEM	270,799
2	
3	
4	

Part IX-B Summary of Program-Related Investments (see instructions)

Describe the two largest program-related investments made by the foundation during the tax year on lines 1 and 2	Amount
1 N/A	
2	
3 All other program-related investments See page 24 of the instructions	

Total. Add lines 1 through 3. **▶**

Part X Minimum Investment Return (All domestic foundations must complete this part. Foreign foundations, see instructions.)

1	Fair market value of assets not used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc , purposes		
a	Average monthly fair market value of securities.	1a	0
b	Average of monthly cash balances.	1b	292,315
c	Fair market value of all other assets (see instructions).	1c	0
d	Total (add lines 1a, b, and c).	1d	292,315
e	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation).	1e	
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets.	2	
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d.	3	292,315
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities Enter 1 1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	4	292,315
5	Net value of noncharitable-use assets. Subtract line 4 from line 3 Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	0
6	Minimum investment return. Enter 5% of line 5.	6	0

Part XI Distributable Amount (see instructions) (Section 4942(j)(3) and (j)(5) private operating foundations and certain foreign organizations check here and do not complete this part.)

1	Minimum investment return from Part X, line 6.	1	
2a	Tax on investment income for 2012 from Part VI, line 5.	2a	
b	Income tax for 2012 (This does not include the tax from Part VI).	2b	
c	Add lines 2a and 2b.	2c	
3	Distributable amount before adjustments Subtract line 2c from line 1.	3	
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions.	4	
5	Add lines 3 and 4.	5	
6	Deduction from distributable amount (see instructions).	6	
7	Distributable amount as adjusted Subtract line 6 from line 5 Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1.	7	

Part XII Qualifying Distributions (see instructions)

1	Amounts paid (including administrative expenses) to accomplish charitable, etc , purposes		
a	Expenses, contributions, gifts, etc —total from Part I, column (d), line 26.	1a	270,799
b	Program-related investments—total from Part IX-B.	1b	
2	Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc , purposes.	2	
3	Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the		
a	Suitability test (prior IRS approval required).	3a	
b	Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule).	3b	
4	Qualifying distributions. Add lines 1a through 3b Enter here and on Part V, line 8, and Part XIII, line 4	4	270,799
5	Foundations that qualify under section 4940(e) for the reduced rate of tax on net investment income Enter 1% of Part I, line 27b (see instructions).	5	
6	Adjusted qualifying distributions. Subtract line 5 from line 4.	6	270,799

Note: The amount on line 6 will be used in Part V, column (b), in subsequent years when calculating whether the foundation qualifies for the section 4940(e) reduction of tax in those years

Part XIII Undistributed Income (see instructions)

	(a) Corpus	(b) Years prior to 2011	(c) 2011	(d) 2012
1 Distributable amount for 2012 from Part XI, line 7				
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2012				
a Enter amount for 2011 only.				
b Total for prior years 20___, 20___, 20___				
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2012				
a From 2007.				
b From 2008.				
c From 2009.				
d From 2010.				
e From 2011.				
f Total of lines 3a through e.				
4 Qualifying distributions for 2012 from Part XII, line 4 ▶ \$ <u>270,799</u>				
a Applied to 2011, but not more than line 2a				
b Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required—see instructions).				
c Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required—see instructions).				
d Applied to 2012 distributable amount.				
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus	270,799			
5 Excess distributions carryover applied to 2012 <i>(If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a).)</i>				
6 Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:				
a Corpus Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e Subtract line 5	270,799			
b Prior years' undistributed income Subtract line 4b from line 2b.				
c Enter the amount of prior years' undistributed income for which a notice of deficiency has been issued, or on which the section 4942(a) tax has been previously assessed.				
d Subtract line 6c from line 6b Taxable amount—see instructions				
e Undistributed income for 2011 Subtract line 4a from line 2a Taxable amount—see instructions				
f Undistributed income for 2012 Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1 This amount must be distributed in 2013				
7 Amounts treated as distributions out of corpus to satisfy requirements imposed by section 170(b)(1)(F) or 4942(g)(3) (see instructions).				
8 Excess distributions carryover from 2007 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see instructions).				
9 Excess distributions carryover to 2013. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a				
10 Analysis of line 9				
a Excess from 2008.				
b Excess from 2009.				
c Excess from 2010.				
d Excess from 2011.				
e Excess from 2012.				

Part XIV Private Operating Foundations (see instructions and Part VII-A, question 9)

1a If the foundation has received a ruling or determination letter that it is a private operating foundation, and the ruling is effective for 2012, enter the date of the ruling.

b Check box to indicate whether the organization is a private operating foundation described in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5)

2a Enter the lesser of the adjusted net income from Part I or the minimum investment return from Part X for each year listed

Tax year	Prior 3 years			(e) Total	
(a) 2012	(b) 2011	(c) 2010	(d) 2009		
0				0	
b 85% of line 2a					
c Qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 for each year listed	270,799	222,984	219,165	207,354	920,302
d Amounts included in line 2c not used directly for active conduct of exempt activities					
e Qualifying distributions made directly for active conduct of exempt activities Subtract line 2d from line 2c	270,799	222,984	219,165	207,354	920,302

3 Complete 3a, b, or c for the alternative test relied upon

a "Assets" alternative test—enter

(1) Value of all assets 3,707,920 3,653,088 3,565,671 3,337,445 14,264,124

(2) Value of assets qualifying under section 4942(j)(3)(B)(i) 3,707,920 3,653,088 3,565,671 3,337,445 14,264,124

b "Endowment" alternative test— enter 2/3 of minimum investment return shown in Part X, line 6 for each year listed.

c "Support" alternative test—enter

(1) Total support other than gross investment income (interest, dividends, rents, payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), or royalties)

(2) Support from general public and 5 or more exempt organizations as provided in section 4942(j)(3)(B)(iii).

(3) Largest amount of support from an exempt organization

(4) Gross investment income

Part XV Supplementary Information (Complete this part only if the organization had \$5,000 or more in assets at any time during the year—see instructions.)

- 1 Information Regarding Foundation Managers:**
- a** List any managers of the foundation who have contributed more than 2% of the total contributions received by the foundation before the close of any tax year (but only if they have contributed more than \$5,000) (See section 507(d)(2))
- b** List any managers of the foundation who own 10% or more of the stock of a corporation (or an equally large portion of the ownership of a partnership or other entity) of which the foundation has a 10% or greater interest
- 2 Information Regarding Contribution, Grant, Gift, Loan, Scholarship, etc., Programs:**
- Check here if the foundation only makes contributions to preselected charitable organizations and does not accept unsolicited requests for funds If the foundation makes gifts, grants, etc (see instructions) to individuals or organizations under other conditions, complete items 2a, b, c, and d
- a** The name, address, and telephone number of the person to whom applications should be addressed
- b** The form in which applications should be submitted and information and materials they should include
- c** Any submission deadlines
- d** Any restrictions or limitations on awards, such as by geographical areas, charitable fields, kinds of institutions, or other factors

Part XV Supplementary Information (continued)

3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment

Recipient Name and address (home or business)	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
a <i>Paid during the year</i>				
Total				▶ 3a
b <i>Approved for future payment</i>				
Total				▶ 3b

Part XVII Information Regarding Transfers To and Transactions and Relationships With Noncharitable Exempt Organizations

1 Did the organization directly or indirectly engage in any of the following with any other organization described in section 501(c) of the Code... a Transfers from the reporting foundation to a noncharitable exempt organization of (1) Cash (2) Other assets b Other transactions (1) Sales of assets to a noncharitable exempt organization (2) Purchases of assets from a noncharitable exempt organization (3) Rental of facilities, equipment, or other assets (4) Reimbursement arrangements (5) Loans or loan guarantees (6) Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations c Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, other assets, or paid employees d If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," complete the following schedule

Table with 4 columns: (a) Line No, (b) Amount involved, (c) Name of noncharitable exempt organization, (d) Description of transfers, transactions, and sharing arrangements








2a Is the foundation directly or indirectly affiliated with, or related to, one or more tax-exempt organizations described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3)) or in section 527? Yes No

b If "Yes," complete the following schedule Table with 3 columns: (a) Name of organization, (b) Type of organization, (c) Description of relationship

Sign Here Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete Declaration of preparer (other than taxpayer or fiduciary) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge Signature of officer or trustee Date Title

Paid Preparer Use Only Print/Type preparer's name JOYCE A DINKEL CPA Preparer's Signature JOYCE A DINKEL CPA Date 2013-08-13 Check if self-employed Firm's name DINKEL CPA SERVICES LLC Firm's address LITTLETON, CO 801613099 Firm's EIN Phone no (720) 480-5723

Form 990PF Part VIII Line 1 - List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation

(a) Name and address	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
TERI TOFT  14959 WEST 69TH AVENUE ARVADA, CO 80007	PRESIDENT 40 00	56,250	0	0
DIRK CUSSLER  14959 WEST 69TH AVENUE ARVADA, CO 80007	TREASURER/VP 0 50	0	0	0
DAYNA CUSSLER  14959 WEST 69TH AVENUE ARVADA, CO 80007	CO-VICE PRES 0 50	0	0	0
CLIVE CUSSLER  C/O KREISMAN GROUP 4401 S QUEBEC ST STE 100 DENVER, CO 80237	CHAIRMAN 0 50	0	0	0
JASON TOFT  14959 WEST 69TH AVENUE ARVADA, CO 80007	DIRECTOR 0 50	0	0	0
KEITH LOWDEN  14959 WEST 69TH AVENUE ARVADA, CO 80007	DIRECTOR 0 50	0	0	0
RON POSEY  14959 WEST 69TH AVENUE ARVADA, CO 80007	DIRECTOR 0 50	0	0	0

Schedule B
(Form 990, 990-EZ,
or 990-PF)

Schedule of Contributors

OMB No 1545-0047

▶ Attach to Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF.

2012

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization
CUSSLER MUSEUM

Employer identification number
75-3142345

Organization type (check one)

Filers of:

Section:

Form 990 or 990-EZ

501(c)() (enter number) organization

4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation

527 political organization

Form 990-PF

501(c)(3) exempt private foundation

4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation

501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

Check if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule**.

Note. Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.

General Rule

For an organization filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, \$5,000 or more (in money or property) from any one contributor. Complete Parts I and II.

Special Rules

For a section 501(c)(3) organization filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33¹/₃% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) and received from any one contributor, during the year, a contribution of the greater of **(1)** \$5,000 or **(2)** 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h, or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.

For a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 for use *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I, II, and III.

For a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions for use *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but these contributions did not total to more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Do not complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received nonexclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions of \$5,000 or more during the year. ▶ \$ _____

Caution. An organization that is not covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules does not file Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF), but it **must** answer "No" on Part IV, line 2 of its Form 990, or check the box on line H of its Form 990-EZ or on Part I, line 2 of its Form 990-PF, to certify that it does not meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

Name of organization
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Part I **Contributors** (see instructions) Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1	CLIVE CUSSLER C/O KREISMAN GROUP PC 4401 S QUEBEC ST STE 100 DENVER, CO 80237	\$ 300,000	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution)
		\$	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution)
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Part II Noncash Property (see instructions) Use duplicate copies of Part II if additional space is needed

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
_____	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____	_____
_____	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____	_____
_____	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____	_____
_____	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____	_____
_____	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____	_____
_____	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____	_____
_____	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____	_____
_____	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____	_____
_____	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____	_____

Name of organization
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Part III Exclusively religious, charitable, etc., individual contributions to section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organizations that total more than \$1,000 for the year. Complete columns (a) through (e) and the following line entry
For organizations completing Part III, enter the total of exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions of \$1,000 or less for the year (Enter this information once. See instructions.) \$
Use duplicate copies of Part III if additional space is needed

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
—	_____ _____	_____ _____	_____ _____

(e) Transfer of gift	
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee
_____ _____	_____ _____

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
—	_____ _____	_____ _____	_____ _____

(e) Transfer of gift	
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee
_____ _____	_____ _____

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
—	_____ _____	_____ _____	_____ _____

(e) Transfer of gift	
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee
_____ _____	_____ _____

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
—	_____ _____	_____ _____	_____ _____

(e) Transfer of gift	
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee
_____ _____	_____ _____

Form **4562**
 Department of the Treasury
 Internal Revenue Service (99)

Depreciation and Amortization
 (Including Information on Listed Property)

OMB No 1545-0172
2012
 Attachment
 Sequence No **179**

▶ See separate instructions. ▶ Attach to your tax return.

Name(s) shown on return CUSSLER MUSEUM	Business or activity to which this form relates INDIRECT DEPRECIATION	Identifying number 75-3142345
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Part I Election To Expense Certain Property Under Section 179
Note: If you have any listed property, complete Part V before you complete Part I.

1 Maximum amount (see instructions)	1	500,000
2 Total cost of section 179 property placed in service (see instructions)	2	
3 Threshold cost of section 179 property before reduction in limitation (see instructions)	3	2,000,000
4 Reduction in limitation Subtract line 3 from line 2. If zero or less, enter -0-	4	
5 Dollar limitation for tax year Subtract line 4 from line 1. If zero or less, enter -0-. If married filing separately, see instructions	5	

6 (a) Description of property	(b) Cost (business use only)	(c) Elected cost
7 Listed property Enter the amount from line 29	7	
8 Total elected cost of section 179 property Add amounts in column (c), lines 6 and 7	8	
9 Tentative deduction Enter the smaller of line 5 or line 8	9	
10 Carryover of disallowed deduction from line 13 of your 2011 Form 4562	10	
11 Business income limitation Enter the smaller of business income (not less than zero) or line 5 (see instructions)	11	
12 Section 179 expense deduction Add lines 9 and 10, but do not enter more than line 11	12	
13 Carryover of disallowed deduction to 2013 Add lines 9 and 10, less line 12	13	

Note: Do not use Part II or Part III below for listed property. Instead, use Part V.

Part II Special Depreciation Allowance and Other Depreciation (Do not include listed property) (See instructions)

14 Special depreciation allowance for qualified property (other than listed property) placed in service during the tax year (see instructions)	14	440
15 Property subject to section 168(f)(1) election	15	
16 Other depreciation (including ACRS)	16	

Part III MACRS Depreciation (Do not include listed property.) (See instructions.)

Section A

17 MACRS deductions for assets placed in service in tax years beginning before 2012	17	7,349
18 If you are electing to group any assets placed in service during the tax year into one or more general asset accounts, check here <input type="checkbox"/>		

Section B—Assets Placed in Service During 2012 Tax Year Using the General Depreciation System

(a) Classification of property	(b) Month and year placed in service	(c) Basis for depreciation (business/investment use only—see instructions)	(d) Recovery period	(e) Convention	(f) Method	(g) Depreciation deduction
19a 3-year property						
b 5-year property		350	5 0	HY	200 DB	70
c 7-year property		91	7 0	HY	200 DB	13
d 10-year property						
e 15-year property						
f 20-year property						
g 25-year property			25 yrs		S/L	
h Residential rental property			27 5 yrs	MM	S/L	
			27 5 yrs	MM	S/L	
i Nonresidential real property			39 yrs	MM	S/L	
				MM	S/L	

Section C—Assets Placed in Service During 2012 Tax Year Using the Alternative Depreciation System

20a Class life					S/L	
b 12-year			12 yrs		S/L	
c 40-year			40 yrs	MM	S/L	

Part IV Summary (see instructions)

21 Listed property Enter amount from line 28	21	
22 Total. Add amounts from line 12, lines 14 through 17, lines 19 and 20 in column (g), and line 21. Enter here and on the appropriate lines of your return. Partnerships and S corporations—see instructions	22	7,872
23 For assets shown above and placed in service during the current year, enter the portion of the basis attributable to section 263A costs	23	

Part V Listed Property (Include automobiles, certain other vehicles, certain computers, and property used for entertainment, recreation, or amusement.)

Note: For any vehicle for which you are using the standard mileage rate or deducting lease expense, complete **only 24a, 24b, columns (a) through (c) of Section A, all of Section B, and Section C if applicable.**

Section A—Depreciation and Other Information (Caution: See the instructions for limits for passenger automobiles.)

24a Do you have evidence to support the business/investment use claimed? Yes No
24b If "Yes," is the evidence written? Yes No
(a) Type of property (list vehicles first)
(b) Date placed in service
(c) Business/investment use percentage
(d) Cost or other basis
(e) Basis for depreciation (business/investment use only)
(f) Recovery period
(g) Method/Convention
(h) Depreciation/deduction
(i) Elected section 179 cost
25 Special depreciation allowance for qualified listed property placed in service during the tax year and used more than 50% in a qualified business use (see instructions)
26 Property used more than 50% in a qualified business use
27 Property used 50% or less in a qualified business use
28 Add amounts in column (h), lines 25 through 27 Enter here and on line 21, page 1
29 Add amounts in column (i), line 26 Enter here and on line 7, page 1

Section B—Information on Use of Vehicles

Complete this section for vehicles used by a sole proprietor, partner, or other "more than 5% owner," or related person. If you provided vehicles to your employees, first answer the questions in Section C to see if you meet an exception to completing this section for those vehicles.

30 Total business/investment miles driven during the year (do not include commuting miles)
31 Total commuting miles driven during the year
32 Total other personal(noncommuting) miles driven
33 Total miles driven during the year Add lines 30 through 32
34 Was the vehicle available for personal use during off-duty hours?
35 Was the vehicle used primarily by a more than 5% owner or related person?
36 Is another vehicle available for personal use?
(a) Vehicle 1 (b) Vehicle 2 (c) Vehicle 3 (d) Vehicle 4 (e) Vehicle 5 (f) Vehicle 6
Yes No Yes No Yes No Yes No Yes No Yes No

Section C—Questions for Employers Who Provide Vehicles for Use by Their Employees

Answer these questions to determine if you meet an exception to completing Section B for vehicles used by employees who are not more than 5% owners or related persons (see instructions)

37 Do you maintain a written policy statement that prohibits all personal use of vehicles, including commuting, by your employees?
38 Do you maintain a written policy statement that prohibits personal use of vehicles, except commuting, by your employees? See the instructions for vehicles used by corporate officers, directors, or 1% or more owners
39 Do you treat all use of vehicles by employees as personal use?
40 Do you provide more than five vehicles to your employees, obtain information from your employees about the use of vehicles, and retain the information received?
41 Do you meet the requirements concerning qualified automobile demonstration use? (See instructions)
Note: If your answer to 37, 38, 39, 40, or 41 is "Yes," do not complete Section B for the covered vehicles

Part VI Amortization

(a) Description of costs (b) Date amortization begins (c) Amortizable amount (d) Code section (e) Amortization period or percentage (f) Amortization for this year
42 Amortization of costs that begins during your 2012 tax year (see instructions)
43 Amortization of costs that began before your 2012 tax year
44 Total. Add amounts in column (f) See the instructions for where to report

TY 2012 Accounting Fees Schedule

Name: CUSSLER MUSEUM

EIN: 75-3142345

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
INDIRECT ACCOUNTING FEES	6,548			6,548

TY 2012 Compensation Explanation

Name: CUSSLER MUSEUM

EIN: 75-3142345

Person Name	Explanation
TERI TOFT	
DIRK CUSSLER	
DAYNA CUSSLER	
CLIVE CUSSLER	
JASON TOFT	
KEITH LOWDEN	
RON POSEY	

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TY 2012 Depreciation Schedule

Name: CUSSLER MUSEUM

EIN: 75-3142345

Description of Property	Date Acquired	Cost or Other Basis	Prior Years' Depreciation	Computation Method	Rate / Life (# of years)	Current Year's Depreciation Expense	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Cost of Goods Sold Not Included
OFFICE DESK	2005-07-01	658	629	200DB	7 0000	29			
OFFICE CHAIR	2005-07-01	99	95	200DB	7 0000	4			
DISPLAY POSTS AND ROPES	2005-07-01	8,547	8,166	200DB	7 0000	381			
RUGS AND RUNNERS	2005-07-01	392	375	200DB	7 0000	17			
GATE	2005-07-01	270	258	200DB	7 0000	12			
SIGNS	2005-07-01	52	50	200DB	7 0000	2			
REFRIGERATOR	2005-07-01	471	450	200DB	7 0000	21			
OUTSIDE SIGNS	2005-07-01	675	645	200DB	7 0000	30			
SIGN HOLDERS	2005-07-01	299	286	200DB	7 0000	13			
SIGN HOLDERS	2005-07-01	335	320	200DB	7 0000	15			
WEBSITE	2005-07-01	167	167	200DB	3 0000				
REMODELING COSTS	2005-12-01	33,738	5,659	S/L	39 0000	865			
NEON SIGNS	2006-07-01	48,576	42,073	200DB	7 0000	4,335			
ROPES AND STANTIONS	2006-07-01	5,075	4,396	200DB	7 0000	453			
ROPES	2006-07-01	317	274	200DB	7 0000	29			
STOOLS	2006-07-01	440	381	200DB	7 0000	39			
BENCH	2006-07-01	140	121	200DB	7 0000	13			
REMODELING COSTS	2006-03-01	10,336	1,535	S/L	39 0000	265			
OFFICE FURNITURE	2007-07-01	1,448	1,125	200DB	7 0000	129			
REMODELING COSTS	2007-01-01	4,863	619	S/L	39 0000	124			
GAS PUMP	2008-07-01	3,000	2,531	200DB	7 0000	134			
FILE CABINET	2010-07-01	590	229	200DB	7 0000	103			
CHAIRS/TABLES	2010-07-01	1,920	744	200DB	7 0000	336			
FURNITURE	2011-03-30	319	319	200DB	7 0000				
OFFICE FURNITURE	2011-09-30	261	261	200DB	7 0000				
OFFICE SHELVES	2011-11-30	354	354	200DB	7 0000				
SECURITY CAMERAS	2011-06-30	2,106	2,106	200DB	7 0000				
COMPUTER	2012-05-22	699		200DB	5 0000	419			
PRESSURE WASHER	2012-08-20	182		200DB	7 0000	104			

TY 2012 Land, Etc. Schedule

Name: CUSSLER MUSEUM

EIN: 75-3142345

Category / Item	Cost / Other Basis	Accumulated Depreciation	Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT	126,329	82,040	44,289	44,289

TY 2012 Other Assets Schedule

Name: CUSSLER MUSEUM

EIN: 75-3142345

Description	Beginning of Year - Book Value	End of Year - Book Value	End of Year - Fair Market Value
CLASSIC AUTOMOBILES	3,190,554	3,190,554	3,190,554
ARTWORK	5,875	5,875	5,875

TY 2012 Other Expenses Schedule

Name: CUSSLER MUSEUM

ETIN: 75-3142345

Description	Revenue and Expenses per Books	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
EXPENSES				
REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	1,921			1,921
PROPERTY INSURANCE	9,644	2,411		7,233
ADVERTISING	495			495
WEBSITE	210	105		105
BANK FEES	561			561
CREDIT CARD FEES	923			923
DUES AND SUBSCRIPTIONS	550			550
WORKERS COMP INSURANCE	2,447	245		2,202
POSTAGE AND SHIPPING	1,082			1,082
MARKETING	1,080			1,080
SUPPLIES	5,050			5,050
MISCELLANEOUS	681			681

TY 2012 Other Income Schedule

Name: CUSSLER MUSEUM

EIN: 75-3142345

Description	Revenue And Expenses Per Books	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income
MUSEUM ADMISSION INCOME	25,438		25,438

TY 2012 Other Liabilities Schedule

Name: CUSSLER MUSEUM

EIN: 75-3142345

Description	Beginning of Year - Book Value	End of Year - Book Value
PAYROLL TAX LIABILITY		1,187
CREDIT CARD LIABILITY		237

TY 2012 Sales Of Inventory Schedule

Name: CUSSLER MUSEUM

EIN: 75-3142345

Category	Gross Sales	Cost of Goods Sold	Net (Gross Sales Minus Cost of Goods Sold)
MERCHANDISE SALES	13,054	6,057	6,997

TY 2012 Substantial Contributors Schedule

Name: CUSSLER MUSEUM

EIN: 75-3142345

Name	Address
CLIVE CUSSLER	4401 S QUEBEC ST STE 100 DENVER, CO 80237

TY 2012 Taxes Schedule

Name: CUSSLER MUSEUM

EIN: 75-3142345

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
ADMISSIONS TAXES	957			957
FEDERAL TAXES	445		445	