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There are initiatives that come from the bottom of the heart and this is one of them. We are Josefina Rossetti G, Francisco Alvarez Martin and Cecilia Cardemil Oliva, former CIDE collaborators, who, driven by the strong affection and admiration towards Patricio Cariola, and aware of the passing of time and the fragility of memory, decided to undertake the task of writing a biography of priest Cariola. In order to do so, we collected testimonies from people who knew him at the professional and pastoral level and from the Society of Jesus.

This biography was done from the view and perspectives of those who worked, followed, questioned and created, under his direction, the guidelines that distinguished CIDE as a center of innovation and development of Education (1965-2002). He was also recognized as an outstanding leader, friend, teacher, partner and colleague, but over all, as a promoter of new ways to transform the field of education into one based on opportunities, development and improvement for everyone in Chile.

*“The contributions that Patricio Cariola S.J (1928-2001) made on Chilean Education, from FIDE and CIDE, forming an elite of researches on education, promoting a popular education capable of generating communities and leaders and the Latin American Red of Educational research, made him worthy of the Premio Nacional de Ciencias de la Educación 1999”. (1)*

Patricio Cariola not only influenced on the educational reform in the government of President Eduardo Frei Montalva (1964-1970), but also, on the educational reforms carried out once democracy returned to Chile, from 1990 onwards; contributing from the CIDE, through proposals of action research models. Actually, the main authorities of Ministry of Education at that time had studied and worked at CIDE.

The CIDE, under Patricio Cariola’s management and guidance, was a training and transformation place of people. Not only for those who worked there, but also for the

*(1) Patricio Cariola Barroilhet y su aporte a la renovación pedagógica en la segunda mitad del siglo 20 en Chile. Jaime Caiceo Escudero, Universidad de Santiago de Chile, Chile, Hist.Educ(online), Porto Alegre, v.19, n47, set/dez, 2015, p 149-174).*

hundreds and thousands of people who received his influence as educator, entrepreneur, friend and politician. His proposals were implemented and spread throughout Chile, Latin America and even in other continents.

Thanks to the support from Universidad Alberto Hurtado, its dean Eduardo Silva S.J and Ana Maria del Valle, we have been able to create this web site where you can find testimonies, publications and pictures related to Patricio Cariola. There is also available an interview template, where people can provide their own vision towards Patricio and contribute to the kindling of this web page.

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