

# THE ACORN

Governor's Newsletter  
Rotary International



District 778  
Charter Year 1990-1991

**"HONOR ROTARY  
WITH FAITH  
AND ENTHUSIASM"**



**Daniel W. Mooers**  
District Governor

April 15, 1991

## Dear Fellow Rotarians:

WHEN YOU SERVE AS DISTRICT GOVERNOR, the daily mail delivery brings volumes of material from around the world. Most of it is printed information about Rotary projects in other districts or countries and updates from Rotary International on activities. Perhaps the most unusual mail delivery came last week.

I had been in court for a client in the morning and when I returned in the early afternoon I found a huge paper bag, folded over and stapled at the top, sitting in the middle of my office. The secretaries had been looking quizzically at it, but there it remained, unopened. As soon as I walked through the door I was handed a pair of scissors and encouraged to investigate the curious package immediately. Carefully snipping away only the very top of the bag, we collectively peeked inside. The bag contained live trees; seven in all we soon discovered; five "Whitespire Birch" and two pines. The seedlings had been sent to me by the Evergreen Nursery Company of Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin, as a product sample in conjunction with the "Trees Around The World" project. The letter that arrived the next day asked only that we "find a good home" for these beautiful seedlings.

Each of these trees will find a good home when they are planted on Friday, April 26, in seven different cities or towns throughout District 778. They will joined hundreds of other seedlings being planted by District 778 clubs as we joined in the National Arbor Day celebration with our 12:00 noon simultaneous plantings.

I also received several other pieces of mail this month relating to the Arbor Day Celebration. In mid-March I wrote to Maine's Governor John McKernan asking him to issue a proclamation regarding Arbor Day in Maine. The proclamation was issued on March 27th and a copy of the original proclamation forwarded to me is enclosed with this newsletter. I also received a letter from New Hampshire's Urban Forester, Mary K. Reynolds, offering her assistance to New Hampshire Rotary clubs in their efforts on Arbor Day and to Preserve Planet Earth, portions of which I am reprinting in the newsletter.

Many club bulletins have brought me information about the clubs' plans for Friday, April 26, 1991, National Arbor Day. If your club has already made it's plans for the special day, thank you and I look forward to hearing more about you Arbor Day activities. If your club has not made plans for Arbor Day activities, you still have time. Contact your local or state arborist. Ask your local schools to join in with your members. Join the other clubs in 778 for a 100% effort on April 26th. As President Bush pointed out in his letter to the Rotarians of the United States, the tree you plant on April 26th "will serve as a lasting monument to your foresight and generosity."

Yours in Rotary Service,

..... **HONOR ROTARY WITH FAITH & ENTHUSIASM** .....

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"Preserve Planet Earth"



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# District ACTIVITIES

Here are some District activities that should be on your club's calendar:

April 26, 1991

District 778 and National Arbor Day  
(complete and carry out your plans for this very special day and send a reports on your events to the District Governor)

May 4, 1991

District 778 Assembly,  
USM, Gorham, ME (a must for all club presidents-elect, vice presidents, secretaries, directors of the avenues of service, committee chairs and other interested Rotarians.)

June 13-16, 1991

First District 778 Conference  
(joint with District 779), Hilton Hotel, Quebec City. Registration deadline is May 3, 1991. Send your's in now and Enjoy "Quebec in June".

June 28-30 1991

First District 778 RYLA Conference,  
University of New Hampshire, Durham, New Hampshire (This outstanding Rotary youth program is being hosted this year by The Rotary Clubs of Dover-Durham and Durham-Great Bay. For further information, contact District chair Dick Clark, or the host clubs.)

## MEX-I-CO IS THE PLACE TO GO

The Zone 6, 8 and 12 Fellowship Breakfast is just one of many events you will not want to miss



at this year's Rotary International Convention in Mexico City. The registration deadline is drawing near so make your reservations to join the many District 778 Rotarians who know that, this year, "Mexico is the place to go." If you have never attended as International Convention, this year is the perfect time. Take advantage of the low air fares and have the time of your Rotary life. Meet Secretary General of the United Nations Javier Perez de Cuellar. Listen to John Denver. Enjoy the fellowship of Rotarians from around the world. Find out for yourself why R.I. President

Paulo V.C. Costa says:  
"Mex-i-co, is the place to go!"

**VALORICE ROTARY  
CON FE Y ENTHUSIAMO**

# PUBLIC RELATIONS

*Every Club's  
Responsibility*

*PHOTOGRAPHY* is a good way to try to gain some extra media attention. But it is also expensive and takes someone who has a reasonable photojournalistick eye. Papers like to get 5X7 black and white glossy finish photographs. . . but technology has improved to the point where they can now accept nearly any size, such as

the standard prints that come back from normal snapshot processing. The picture must have good composition, good contrast, and not have a lot of "junk" in the background. Two people shaking hands (a "grip and grin" photo) should be avoided; look for something more interesting.

# Quebec IN JUNE

**BON JOUR!** will be heard again and again as you enjoy the old world charm of the cradle of French civilization on this continent during our first District 778 Conference, Quebec City. As you walk through the picturesque streets of the only fortified city north of Mexico, you will be transformed to bygone days where you will witness the roar of cannonfire and the ringing of the tocsin. Travel back in time as you take an evening ride in a horse-drawn buggy past sidewalk cafes, bistros, cosy inns and unique boutiques. Enjoy the quaint Old Quebec, overlooking the St. Lawrence River.

Each of you have, by now, received your invitation to the conference that will be the highlight of your Rotary membership. You and your spouse will enjoy the many activities planned by the conference committee. Your afternoons will be free for accompanied walking tours of Place Royale and Quartier Petit Champlain, or for a cruise on the St. Lawrence aboard the M/V Louis

Jolliet. A visit to the magnificent Museum of Civilization or the Museum of Quebec will not soon be forgotten. Maybe, if you are lucky, PDG Sam Giftos will invite you to accompany him to his favorite tavern for a tall, cold glass and then to the bakery that bakes the finest breads you will ever find.

Between the opportunities to enjoy Quebec City will be interesting and inspiring Rotary information. An environmental symposium on Saturday morning will bring together leading authorities from the northeast U.S. and Quebec and provide you and your clubs with exceptional help in developing ideas and projects for your clubs to combat environmental concerns in your communities.

If you are interested in Rotary should not miss this opportunity to share the fellowship of Rotary with our friends from District 779. Our Canadian Rotarian friends are planning a joint conference you will never forget and they have promised Governor Dan Mooers and Governor Roland Cloutier that you will "Enjoy Quebec in June!"





THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 11, 1990

I am delighted to send greetings to all the members of Rotary International as you participate in this special tree planting program.

It is encouraging to have the participation of Rotary members in the America the Beautiful National Tree Planting Initiative. "Grassroots" involvement by respected civic-minded men and women such as yourselves will go a long way toward safeguarding our precious environment. Planting trees is a wise and responsible investment in our nation's future, and each new tree planted serves as a living compact between generations. In addition to their natural beauty, trees provide many practical benefits: they help to prevent the build-up of carbon dioxide in our atmosphere; they limit soil erosion; and they help to reduce energy demands by shading our homes and businesses on hot summer days.

Rotary International members can take great pride in their generous response to this worthy initiative. By planting and caring for trees, you are not only demonstrating the strength of your commitment to environmental protection but also setting a wonderful example for your fellow citizens. The sapling you plant today will serve as a lasting monument to your foresight and generosity, and I commend you for this important contribution to America's future.

Barbara joins me in sending best wishes for a successful and enjoyable program. God bless you.

*Cy Bush*



## ATTENTION!! NEW HAMPSHIRE CLUBS

Mary K. Reynolds, Urban Forester for the State of New Hampshire, has offered technical assistance to New Hampshire Rotary clubs in planning and implementing tree projects at the local, community level.

Ms. Reynolds is also interested in learning more about the different projects local Rotary clubs are planning. Thanks to Past R.I. Director Art Richardson, Ms. Reynolds has already learned about the Exeter club's Arbor Day plans, but she would also like to hear from you.

Please contact her at the address and telephone number shown below and take advantage of her offer for assistance.

Ms. Mary K. Reynolds  
Urban Forester  
172 Pembroke Road  
P. O. Box 856  
Concord, NH 03301  
603-271-2214

## New International Fellowship of Gardening

Just in time for Arbor Day comes the announcement of the formation of another Rotary International Fellowship.

Rotarian gardeners will love to be part of this new Fellowship. In addition to a quarterly Newsletter which will feature many tips and an exchange of idea and techniques, members will have the opportunity to test new varieties of seeds and visit other members gardens while traveling.

Interested Rotarians should contact RIFG at:

P.O.Box 704  
Glenview, IL 60025

State of Maine



WHEREAS, forests cover eighty-nine percent of Maine's land, making our state the most heavily forested in the nation; and

WHEREAS, our productive, working woodlands have traditionally provided the wood and fibre necessary to maintain our manufacturing economy as they have served to refresh and renew our spirits by providing natural beauty and wholesome outdoor recreation opportunities; and

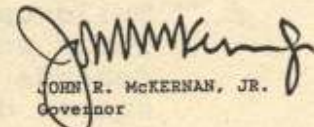
WHEREAS, it is in keeping with Maine's traditional celebration of spring to observe and promote the contributions of our forests to Maine's quality of life,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN R. MCKERNAN, JR., Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim April 26, 1991 as


### ARBOR DAY

throughout the State of Maine, and ask all citizens and teachers in our schools to conduct appropriate activities, such as the planting of trees, to promote an awareness and appreciation of our forests, Maine's most important natural resource.

In testimony whereof, I have caused the Great Seal of the State to be hereunto affixed GIVEN under my hand at Augusta this twenty-seventh day of March in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-One.

  
JOHN R. MCKERNAN, JR.  
Governor



  
G. William Diamond  
Secretary of State

• • LEARN • • • • CELEBRATE • • • • PLAN • •

#### LEARN

What makes a tree safe, healthy, and attractive  
Why are trees important locally and globally

... and then ask your friends and neighbors

#### CELEBRATE

Community-wide, at school, at church, at home, at parks  
Include girl scouts, boy scouts, businesses, other groups too  
Sponsor poster, essay contests, sing songs, create displays

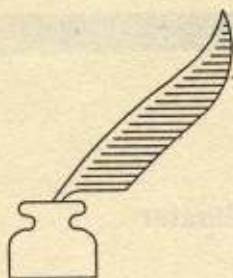
... and use your imagination

#### PLAN

Plant trees and shrubs along streets, in parks and recreation areas, at school,  
Around parking lots, and on public and private property  
Take care of the ones you have

... and make history for your grandchildren





## Monthly Attendance Report

from

District Secretary Bob Carson  
(207) 799-8029

DISTRICT 778 ATTENDANCE - MARCH 1991

CLUB	MEMBERSHIP		+/-	ATTENDANCE %	
	6/30/90	03/31/91		MARCH	12/31/90 AVG
BATH	64	67	+ 3	86.88	84.98
BATH SUNRISE	47	47	0	*	72.85
BETHEL	33	37	+ 4	88.06	88.44
BIDDEFORD-SACO	106	104	- 2	*	87.60
BRUNSWICK	144	141	- 3	78.40	78.84
BRUNSWICK COASTAL	@	18	+18	77.00	INC
CASCO BAY SUNRISE	27	25	- 2	82.30	70.72
DOVER-DURHAM	97	92	- 5	75.31	72.48
DURHAM-GREAT BAY	44	38	- 6	73.03	75.24
EXETER	49	44	- 5	70.00	73.33
FREEPORT	28	23	- 5	80.44	81.42
HAMPTON	71	63	- 8	*	72.50
KENNEBUNK	98	100	+ 2	82.07	81.30
KENNEBUNK PORTSIDE	#	32	+32	*	INC
KITTERY	31	32	+ 1	77.00	78.33
NEWBURYPORT	83	79	- 4	84.49	77.19
OGUNQUIT	46	47	+ 1	86.25	85.67
OXFORD HILLS	52	54	+ 2	92.59	82.75
PORTLAND	216	219	+ 3	78.64	74.11
PORTSMOUTH	203	212	+ 9	76.25	78.93
ROCHESTER	68	66	- 1	76.25	80.32
RUMFORD	39	37	- 2	81.00	77.89
SACO BAY	49	48	- 1	83.33	78.43
SANFORD-SPRINGVALE	73	66	- 7	82.18	78.34
SCARBOROUGH	32	30	- 2	76.50	71.98
SEABROOK-HAMPTON FALLS	30	35	+ 5	*	73.00
SOMERSWORTH	35	34	- 1	74.26	70.93
SOUTH BERWICK	32	30	- 2	92.00	86.33
SOUTH PORTLAND-CAPE ELIZABETH	50	47	- 3	81.15	81.61
WELLS	27	29	+ 2	78.95	81.52
WESTBROOK	56	59	+ 3	77.00	78.88
WINDHAM	54	43	-11	*	75.84
YORK	51	50	- 1	82.40	88.03
TOTALS	2035	2049	+14		

\* = Report Not Received  
@ = July 31 Club Membership 27  
# = October 31 Club Membership 38  
INC = One monthly report missing

District Average

80.53X

### TOP TEN CLUBS IN ATTENDANCE (MARCH)

1. Oxford Hills	92.59
2. South Berwick	92.00
3. Bethel	88.06
4. Bath	86.88
5. Ogunquit	86.25
6. Newburyport	84.49
7. Saco Bay	83.33
8. York	82.40
9. Casco Bay Sunrise	82.30
10. Sanford-Springvale	82.18

## BETHEL DROPS TO THIRD!



### OXFORD HILLS TAKES OVER FIRST!

### SOUTH BERWICK COMES IN SECOND.



Although Bethel remains in the top 5 attendance clubs, Oxford Hills took over the top spot during March. Word has come from the hills area that Dick Decato and his cow chip crew plan to hold on to first place for the rest of the year. Paul Klebaur and the lively socialites from South Berwick says that just can't happen. Stay tuned for the April report.

### \*\* GOALS \*\*

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Just 76 days to complete your club goals. The goals should include:

#### ROTARY FOUNDATION

Increasing your club's "Percentile of Giving" to unrestricted giving by 400% over the percentile on June 30, 1990.

#### PUBLIC RELATIONS

Your club showing the "True Image of Rotary" by conducting a community awareness effort.

#### YOUTH

Your club sponsoring at least two students to the June 28-30, 1991 RYLA Conference.

#### ENVIRONMENT

Your club participating in National Arbor Day on April 26, 1991, by planting at least one tree for each member of the club as of July 1, 1990.

#### GENERAL

Your club completing at least one additional challenge listed in the Governor's Club Challenge in each of five categories:

The Rotary Foundation; Club Service; Vocational Service; Community Service; International Service.





## District 778

UNRESTRICTED GIVING  
THE ROTARY FOUNDATION  
JULY 1, 1990 - MARCH 31, 1990

BATH	\$2,000.00
BATH SUNRISE	00.00
BETHEL	00.00
BIDDEFORD-SACO	00.00
BRUNSWICK	4,150.00
BRUNSWICK COASTAL	00.00
CASCO BAY SUNRISE	00.00
DOVER-DURHAM	00.00
DURHAM-GREAT BAY	1,700.00
EXETER	00.00
FREEPORT	00.00
HAMPTON	400.00
KENNEBUNK	00.00
KENNEBUNK PORTSIDE	00.00
KITTERY	1,700.00
NEWBURYPORT	1,000.00
OGUNQUIT	00.00
OXFORD HILLS	500.00
PORTLAND	4,573.80
PORTSMOUTH	8,550.00
ROCHESTER	1,600.00
RUMFORD	00.00
SACO BAY	00.00
SANFORD-SPRINGVALE	750.00
SCARBOROUGH	00.00
SEABROOK-HAMPTON FALLS	00.00
SOMERSWORTH	1,250.00
SOUTH BERWICK	3,000.00
SOUTH PORTLAND-CAPE ELIZABETH	50.00
WELLS	1,000.00
WESTBROOK	2,300.00
WINDHAM	00.00
YORK	00.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$34,523.80</b>

## TOO MANY \$00.00 !!!

Of our 33 clubs, 17 clubs still have 00.00 after their names and many clubs are far below their respective goals. We are already nine and a half months through the 1990-91 year! Surely all District 778 clubs plan to support Our Rotary Foundation this year. When can we plan on hearing from: Bath Sunrise, Bethel, Biddeford-Saco, Brunswick Coastal, Casco Bay Sunrise, Dover-Durham, Exeter, Freeport, Kennebunk, Kennebunk Portside, Ogunquit, Rumford, Saco Bay, Scarborough, Seabrook-Hampton Falls, Windham and York?

## LOUIS PICONI

Bridgeville, Pennsylvania, U.S.A.

Rotary Foundation Regional Coordinator  
Zones 6, 8 & 12  
1988-91

Lou Piconi is a real estate developer in the Greater Pittsburgh area, having formerly operated Bridgeville Auto Parts, Bridgeville Industrial Supply and LP Industries. The Chartiers Valley Commission on Human Rights recognized Lou as "Man of the Year" in 1984 and in 1974 he received the Albert Gallatin Award for Outstanding Achievement in business and community involvement. He has served as chair of the Bridgeville Parking Authority and as a director for the Greater Pittsburgh Guild for the Blind.

Lou joined the Rotary Club of Bridgeville in 1976 and served as club president in 1979-80. He served in all capacities in his club and on various District 730 committees, and twice served as the District 730 Community Service Committee chair. In 1983 he attended the Council on Legislation in Monaco.



In serving Rotary International, Lou has served as Governor of District 730, Western Pennsylvania, 1984-85 and as the Representative of the R.I. President to numerous district conferences. During PolioPlus, he served as a National Coordinator for Districts 712, 728, 730, 733 and 753. Lou has served also as a Group Discussion Leader at two International Assemblies. A five sapphire Paul Harris Fellow, Lou has received the Distinguished Service Award and the Citation for Meritorious Service from The Rotary Foundation for his dedication and support of its humanitarian and educational programs. Lou has demonstrated that dedication by serving as the Regional Coordinator for The Rotary Foundation and has conducted Foundation Seminars throughout Zones 6, 8 & 12, and beyond.

Lou and his wife, Barbara, have four children, Louis, Lisa, Douglas and Vincent.



## HAS YOUR CLUB EVER HAD A "SAFETY PROJECT"? HERE'S ONE TO TRY.

The literature coming from Rotary International encourages Clubs to have a "Safety Committee" and to undertake projects in that area. Here is an interesting project undertaken by the Rotary Club of Dover-Durham that should be of interest to other Clubs.

In September, 1988, a high-ranking official of the Dover Police Department became a member of that Club and was asked to chair a Safety Committee. After deciding that any project should involve all members of the Club and because the Club meets at a location that requires all members to drive to the meeting, the Rotarian police officer decided that a program should focus on the importance of wearing seatbelts. Additionally, because New Hampshire does not have a mandatory seatbelt law for adults, voluntary compliance in wearing seatbelts is something that obviously needs to be encouraged.

To kick off the program the Safety Committee asked the Board of Directors to pass a resolution requesting Club members to wear their seatbelts to and from Club meetings and at other times and to encourage their friends, family and general public to also wear seatbelts.

At the meeting where the resolution was announced, the Safety Committee explained to the membership that failure to comply with the wishes of the resolution could result in a "fine" and that therefore voluntary compliance with the resolution should begin immediately. The imposition of a "fine" is not only viewed as a way to encourage voluntary use of seatbelts, but it also provided the Club with a readily available fund-raising effort. After a few months of "voluntary compliance" the Safety Committee reminded the membership of the resolution that had been passed and it was announced that the Safety

Committee would act as an assistant to the Club's sergeant-at-arms and would be watching for members not in compliance.

Shortly after that announcement the police officer began monitoring members as they arrived and left the Club and put down the names of persons who were not wearing their seatbelts. At the following meeting it was announced that a list had been compiled and every member who was not wearing their seatbelt should stand, be identified and pay a \$1.00 fine. Surprisingly (or perhaps not surprisingly) more Rotarians stood than were on the noncompliance list, demonstrating the use of the Four-Way Test in this Club. That first day raised \$12.00 in fines and that has continued, although the amount of fines has dropped off as compliance has increased.

As an offshoot of the program it was soon noticed that many members of the Club began relating stories about someone they knew who had been hurt because they were not wearing seatbelts or that they had seen an accident where people were not wearing their seatbelts. It was soon realized that this was a valuable untapped resource, right in the Club, to begin voluntary compliance. As a result, a new program was begun where at each meeting one member of the Club was asked to relate a brief "seatbelt story" in an effort to again reinforce their use. There has been no shortage of volunteers to tell stories and this has directly involved many members of the Club in the program.

The Club is working towards a 100% voluntary compliance through a voluntary use of seatbelts. One of the objectives is to become eligible for a National Safety Belt Award from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. If the Club can certify that it has reached a 70% compliance level, then the award will be received.

## THE COUNCIL ON LEGISLATION

In accordance with the call for nominations contained in the October and November editions of "The Acorn", five District 778 Rotary clubs have submitted nominations. The Rotary Club of Brunswick has submitted the nomination of *Past District Governor Orville T. "Tex" Ranger*, a member of the Brunswick club.

The Rotary Clubs of Bath, Biddeford-Saco, Portsmouth and South Portland-Cape Elizabeth have nominated *District Governor Daniel W. Mooers*, a member of the South Portland-Cape Elizabeth club. An election will be held at the June

District Conference in accordance with the by-laws of District 778 and the Manual of Procedure.

## DISTRICT 7780 ASSEMBLY

If you have not done so already, send your club's registration for the Saturday, May 4, 1991 District 7780 Assembly. A full program is planned for incoming officers, directors of the avenues of service and committee chairs. President-elects should be making a special effort to register

their new members for the assembly and a special discounted registration fee of \$20.00 is offered to Rotarians with less than one year membership. The Assembly is being held on the Gorham campus of the University of Southern Maine. The registration fee is only \$25.00 per Rotarian.

## Change of Meeting Place

The *Rotary Club of Casco Bay Sunrise* (formerly The Rotary Club of South Portland - Maine Mall Area) is now meeting at:

Holiday Inn By The Bay  
Spring Street  
Portland,

at their same time on Thursday mornings.

The *Rotary Club of Hampton, New Hampshire*, has moved its summer meeting place to:

Lamies Tavern  
Route 1  
Lafayette Road  
Hampton, NH

and the meetings will be at 12:15 p.m. on Tuesday instead of the former early summer meeting.

## "WE ARE THE GUARDIANS" WINS GOLD MEDAL

R.I.'s environmental video, "We Are the Guardians," has won a prestigious award - a gold medal at the 33rd Annual International Film and TV Festival of New York. The award, in the "Documentary/Information" category, was announced at a ceremony in New York on 25 January. The video received a finalist certificate in the "Motivational" competition among the non-broadcast films and videos entered.

## Trees for Planting

The beautiful "Whitespire" Birch that was mentioned in the Governor's letter on page 1 is available, at a cost of \$.90 each, from:

Evergreen Nursery Co, Inc.  
5027 County TT  
Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235  
1-800-448-5691  
414-743-4464  
FAX 414-743-9184

Although time probably does not now permit shipment for Arbor Day planting, you might consider this source for other plantings your club may be planning.



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Rtn. Marie A. Williams  
Rotary Club of Kittery  
Pepperrell Road, P. O. Box 142  
Kittery Point, ME 03905



## **FOUNDATION TRUSTEES ANNOUNCE NEW ROTARY CLUB RECOGNITION**

The Trustees of The Rotary Foundation are pleased to announce a new form of club contribution recognition, effective with the 1991-92 Rotary year. This recognition will provide districts with an effective tool to use in their fund development efforts.

Each year, the trustees will present a banner to the three clubs in each district with the highest per capita contributions during the prior fiscal year. Recognition earned during 1991-92 will be sent to district governors in September 1992.

All contributions -- Unrestricted, PolioPlus, Special Matching Grant, Endowment and other restricted gifts -- will be included in the per capita calculations. Membership figures will be based on each club's semi-annual report from the

January prior to the start of the Rotary year (i.e. January 1991 membership figures will be used in calculations for 1991-92). For clubs established after that date, initial membership figures will be used.

This new recognition will replace the club plateau, which most clubs found to be confusing and difficult to calculate. Clubs reaching the 10,000% and 20,000% plateau during 1990-91 (the final year for plateau recognition) will receive a certificate, which will be sent to the district governor in November 1991.

Clubs still wishing to track all-time contributions to the Foundation will find this information on the Club Recognition Summary report, a new quarterly report which was introduced in January.

## **HABITAT RAP**

Trees are important and we're here to say  
You should plant one every day.  
It started in Nebraska as Mr Morton's fad  
And everyone thought it was totally rad.  
Trees were planted all over the land  
People came from everywhere to lend a hand.  
It came to be known as Arbor Day  
And everyone knew it was here to stay.  
If we keep on working and show we care  
Soon it will be celebrated everywhere.  
Now we have Arbor Day and Earth Day, too  
But there still much more that we can do.  
Plant those trees and care for them, too  
Clean up the air and let the sun shine through.

WRITTEN BY Derry Village School Students  
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