

1991-Annual Report

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The American Floral Endowment is a non-profit corporation established to secure contributions for funding research and education programs relevant to the floriculture and environmental horticulture industries, the results of which will benefit the general public.

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## Chairman's Message

In mid-1992 my tenure as a Trustee will end. I take this opportunity to publicly express warmest thanks and appreciation to each and every Trustee, past and present, for the direction and dedication extended during my chairmanship. The sense of commitment and ready response to every request was gratifying.

I would also like to extend my personal thanks to the many individuals and organizations who contributed to the Endowment, particularly over the past year. The economic climate was poor, but pledges were kept in most instances. Looking through this report of the financial status and projects funded over the past year, I think we can be proud of what we have accomplished together.

With best wishes to all,



Robert C. Dewey Chairman

Hober L. C. Dewey

Building the future through Research and Education.

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## Financial Report 1990-91

Statement of Assets		
	6/30/91	6/30/90
Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ 98,347.69	\$ 715,354,06
U.S. Government & Agency Bonds (Market)	1,907,038.20	1,540,727.50
Corporate Bonds (Market)	248,360.51	329,848.50
Common Stocks (Market)		
Common Stocks (Warker)	2,995,459.38	1,836,425.00
Total Assets	\$5,249,205.78	\$4,422,355.06
Earnings & Disbursements		
Balance	\$ 170,739.51	\$ 135,509.32
Income:	Ψ 170,703.01	Φ 135,509,52
Dividends	72,463.03	55,210.88
Interest	,	•
	211,953.17	211,822.10
Designated Contributions	148,629.00	201,026.62
Allocation of Capital Gains	116,895.82	<b>22</b> ,942.98
Total	\$ 720,680.53	\$ 626,502.90
Disbursements:		
Bank Management Fees	\$ 46,196,24	\$ 31.278.81
Grants	518,383.86	424,484.58
Granco	<u></u>	444,404.00
Balance	\$ 156,100.43	\$ 170,739.51
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#### **Treasurer's Comments**

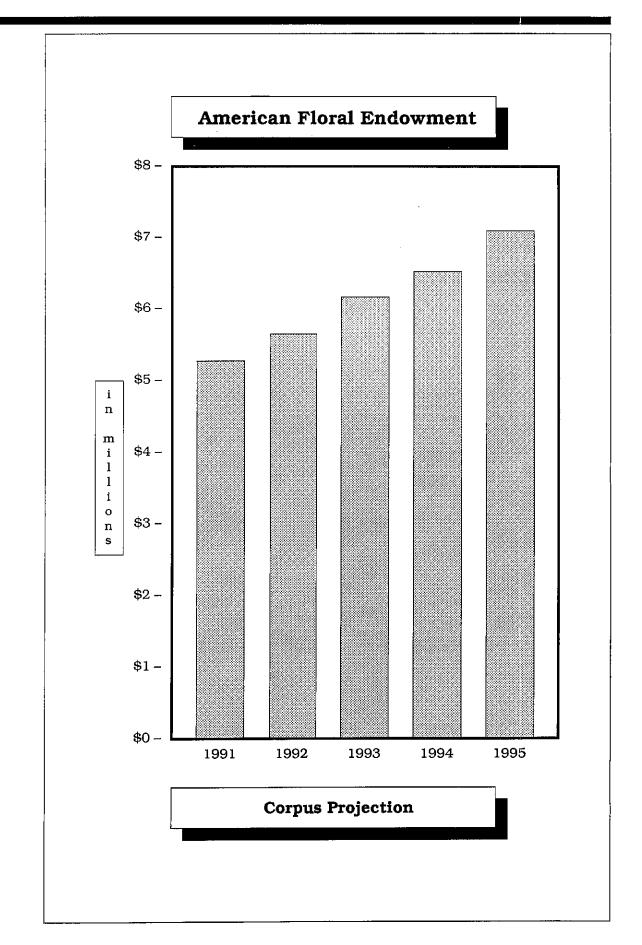
The Endowment has continued its growth both in terms of funds granted for research and education and in the total funds contributed and invested to generate such funds.

This was an outstanding year of growth for the corpus primarily due to a bequest in the will of Mr. Andrew Darbee for \$500,000. Mr. Darbee was a member of the industry who wanted to return to the industry he loved a portion of his worldly goods. It was a magnificent statement and one that will benefit the industry in perpetuity.

Mr. Darbee may also set an example for many who are now in the industry who share his feelings and may wish in the future to emulate his generous bequest.

As a result of the generosity of all past and present contributors to the Endowment, the invested funds (corpus) exceeded 5 million dollars in 1991 and for the first time grants for research and education exceeded 1/2 million dollars for one year.

KENNETH R. ROYER Treasurer



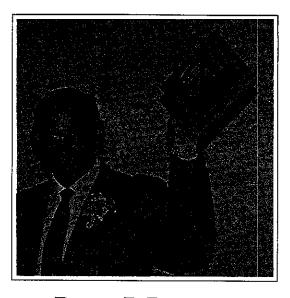
## 1991 Highlights

## Century Dinner XV

Held in conjunction with the Wholesale Florists and Florist Suppliers of America (WF&FSA) mid-year trade fair staged in 1991, Century Dinner XV was another special night. The date was June 15; the hotel was The Peabody, Orlando, Florida.

Robert P. Billings, Vice President, Pennock Company, chaired the event. Nearly \$20,000 was raised to help support the Endowment office so that regular contributions may be used for education and research.

Grateful thanks and appreciation are extended to Mr. Billings for his excellent



ROBERT P. BILLINGS
CENTURY DINNER XV CHAIRMAN

leadership, and to the following people who were very important to the evening's success: Bob Wells and Ramon Paradela, St. Cloud Florist, St. Cloud, Florida, for Co-chairing the Decorations Committee; Pat Doherty, Berwick Industries, Inc., Peramus, New Jersey, for providing a warm and touching invocation; Dr. Carl F. Gortzig, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, for giving a brief overview of why industry funds are important to getting universities to focus on floriculture.

Underwriting much of the evening's events were the Hosts who contributed \$2,000 and the Sponsors who contributed \$1,000. Individual tickets were \$100.

Particular thanks and appreciation are extended to the following:

#### Hosts

Oscar G. Carlstedt Company Jacksonville, Florida Pete Garcia Company Atlanta, Georgia Manatee Fruit Company Palmetto, Florida

#### **SPONSORS**

American Floral Services, Inc. Oklahoma City, Oklahoma **Brody Company** Cincinnati, Ohio Colombia Flower Council Miami, Florida Florafax International, Inc. Tulsa, Oklahoma Floral & Nursery Times Wilmette, Illinois Florists' Mutual Insurance Company Edwardsville, Illinois Florists' Transworld Delivery Association Southfield, Michigan **Highland Supply Corporation** Highland, Illinois The John Henry Company Lansing, Michigan Knud Nielsen Company Evergreen, Alabama Magicsilk Inc. Moonachie, New Jersey Pennock Company Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Redbook Florist Services Paragould, Arkansas **Smithers Oasis** Kent, Ohio H.L. Stansell, Inc. Pierson, Florida Sunburst Farms, Inc. Miami, Florida Sunnyside Nurseries, Inc.

Hayward, California

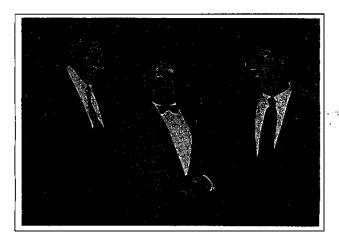
Syndicate Sales, Inc. Kokomo, Indiana

Without the products generously provided by industry firms, it would be difficult for the floral designers to develop the lovely displays and arrangements that are generally enjoyed at industry functions. The following are acknowledged with special thanks and appreciation:

#### PRODUCT CONTRIBUTORS

**Fugua Fernery** Altoona, Florida Hartford Farms Marianna, Florida Lomey Asheville, North Carolina Pennock Company Orlando, Florida **Smithers Oasis** Kent. Ohio Sunburst Farms, Inc. Miami, Florida Sunshine State Carnations Hobe Sound, Florida WFR, Inc. Zellwood, Florida

Tom Hession, Chuck Johnson



Del Demaree, Bob Dewey, Steve Otte



Dr. and Mrs. Carl Gortzig

Larry Shinall, Buddy Lear, "Sonny" Crapps III, Bob Juska

## **Some Century Dinner XV Guests**



The Peabody Ducks and the Duckmaster performing to special music. Looking on (left) Bob Abrams, Dwight Larimer, Jean Gortzig and (right) Brenda Garcia.





Tom DiCanio, Sally McDougle



Ramon Paradela, Bob Billings, Bob Wells



Ken Royer, Ellsworth and Mabel Simmons

Don Flowers, Flavia and Walter Preston



Sten Crissey, Herman Meinders



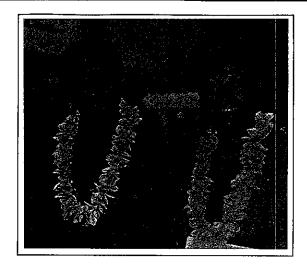
Lisa Allensworth Benjamin, Jacob Van Namen, Laura Demaree Wilson

## **Annual Meeting**

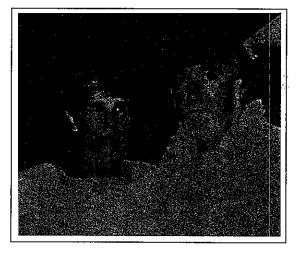
At the Endowment's Annual Meeting Breakfast held during the SAF Convention in Kauai, Hawaii, July 27, 1991, the "Sounds of Aloha" Barbershop Mini Chorus performed. Following are pictures of some of the meeting guests.



Elisabeth (Jinx) Ecke



Tom and Lila DiCanio



Margie and Bob Meinders



Gene and Evelyn Yoshihara, June and Ken Tagawa



Virginia Estes, Felix Ankele



Pepe de la Torre, Samantha and Lorenzo de la Torre



Paul Ecke 3, Julie Hampton



Don Rosacker and his friend Bonnie



Pauline and Arne Thirup



Robert C. Dewey, Endowment Chairman



Marta and Tim Matsuno



John Wilkins, Ken and Pat Benjamin, Jack Bauer



John Shelton, Kirsten Molbak-Paterson, unidentified, Egon and Laina Molbak, Connie Shelton

## Trustees Visit University of Minnesota and Enjoy Evening Hosted by Local Industry Men and Women

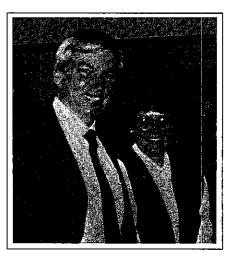
While in Minneapolis for the Fall Board Meeting in November, Trustees spent one morning at the University of Minnesota in St. Paul. Local industry men and women also hosted a reception one evening for Trustees and spouses.



Dr. Mark Strefeler, Eiichi Yoshida



Don Rosacker



Rick and Bernie Johnson



Dr. John Erwin, Len and Marge Busch, Paul and Barbara Bachman



Peggy Leider, Barbara (Mrs. Todd) Bachman, Peggy Dramm, Rick Dramm, Todd Bachman

## **Tributes**

Tributes are available to honor individuals, families and companies. Tributes provide a tangible way of expressing care, saying thank you for a friendship or acknowledging a customer.

A minimum contribution to the Endowment of \$500 is required to establish a tribute. Once established, additional contributions in any amount may be received. The family or corporate entity is always notified.

#### **Corporate Tributes**

Corporate Tributes are designed to provide a vehicle for recognition of floral industry firms and corporations. Since its inception in 1986, the following organizations have been so recognized:

Bay City Flower Co.
Half Moon Bay, CA
Clackamas Greenhouse
Aurora, OR
Frank Clesen & Sons, Inc.
Evanston, IL
R.O. Cowley Wholesale Florist
Pittsburgh, TX
Burdette Coward & Co., Inc.
Punta Gorda, FL
Cremer Florist

Hanover, PA
Dillon Floral Corporation

Bloomsburg, PA

Hardin's Wholesale Florist Supply Liberty, NC

Hartzell Flowers, Inc. Dayton, OH

John Klaus & Sons Greenhouses Greenwood, MO

 Klepac Brothers, Inc. Bianco, Texas

Mazzanti Carnations South San Francisco, CA

H. Nakano & Sons Redwood City, CA

Park Floral Co. Englewood, CO

 Rough Brothers, Inc. Cincinnati, Ohio

Tietze Wholesale Dallas, TX

Weber's Greenhouses Milwaukie, OR

Wolfe the Florist Waco, TX

Established in 1991



Al Reilly, Rough Brothers, Inc.



Jim and Bob Klepac, Klepac Brothers, Inc.

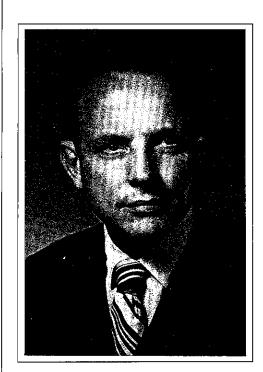
## Living Tributes

Living Tributes are testimonials to outstanding achievement and regard from fellow workers and associates to honor a living member of the industry. All Living Tributes recorded within the Endowment as of December 1991, follow:

Carl Baldesare, Sr. Charles Barr I.W. Bianchi

- † Z.D. Blackistone Louis J. Brand
- † Albert H. Burki Delmar E. Demaree, Jr. Robert C. Dewey John Henry Dudley
- † Paul Ecke, Sr. † George Elliott
  - John O. Finn Frank Fredenhagen
- † John W. & LaVerne B. Giles Hazel Grill O. Ben Haley, Jr.

- Donald E. Hook
- † Howard J. Hook
- † Francis Hopper
- † Joe Hopper Dan Irons Martha J. Keller & Herbert Rothwell
- † Harrison Kennicott, Jr. L.R. "Bud" Kintzele John Knipe
- † Leonard Koehler
- † Prof. Alex Laurie Elma Lundahl Edward & Grace Lutey Robert L. Orth Eulalah Overmeyer
- † Samuel S. Pennock III Gustav H. Poesch Jack W. Redditt Kenneth Royer Mel Schwanke R.H. "Hank" Sciaroni
- † Kenneth F. Short
- † E.G. Thornton
- † Erwin H. Weder Milton M. Weiss Olin A. Wetzel J.F. Wilcox Family
- † Deceased
- · Established in 1991



Donald E. Hook

#### **Memorial Tributes**

Industry men and women, as well as friends and families, can be remembered in perpetuity through Memorial Tributes. As of December 1991, the following have been so honored:

Mr. & Mrs. S.C. Abbott David Abrams Adamo-Loweke Robert Alenius Irving S. Allen Clarence M. Amling Otto Amling Henry C.A. Bachman, Jr. Mr. & Mrs. Dewitt Barber Clair Barrett John Barter Matthew Bartindale Andrew Benson Richard L. Benton Harry Bernard J. Elmer Betty Henry J. Betz, Sr. Clarence J. Bickes Daryl Bordine Frank Brautigam Tommy Bright Irma F. & W.E. Callaham Robert Callaham Oscar G. Caristedt Denis R. Celleghin Roman J. & Florence A. Claprood Bertha Spence Cook William Cov Kendall James Crissey W.L. Crissey Raymond B. Crowley Annie H. Gooch Darbee

Robert Eugene Darbee Rodger Davidson William E. DeLoache Mrs. Fern Demaree

- Bette Deprez
  Nicola & Pasquale
  DeSantis, Sr.
  Ira Doud
  Eugene R. Dramm
  Floyd B. Dreher
  Donald Dunbar
  Magdalena Ecke
- Paul Ecke, Sr. Austin S. Édgar Walter J. Engel, Sr. Clyde Epperson Albert Ferris Pete Franconi, Sr. John Furrow, Sr. Irving B. Garber Joseph A. Garcia, Sr. Walter Gardner D.S. Geddis, Sr. John W. & LaVerne Giles Walter Gills John Patrick Glass, Jr. Louis B. Glick Romaine Glisson John G. Glodt Stanley A. Goldman Douglas R. Gordon H. "Granny" Granovitz
  Joe & Lily Green

Joseph N. Gregoire, Sr. Cornelius J. Groen Lavena M. Groen Adolph E. Gude, Sr. Granville Gude William F. Gude Samuel & Huldah Hagen Mr. & Mrs. Alexander Henderson and Frederic Metcalf E.G. Hill & Earl Mann Joseph H. Hill Albert L. Hoekstra Simon Hoekstra Jay Hogrefe Herman Hollberg Leo Hollberg Herbert Holm D. E. Hopkins Otto G. & Anna M. Hupfel Walter M. Hupfel Arthur Ito, Jr. Edward Jacobson Joseph Johnston, Jr. David L. Jones Pauline Modlin Jones Tom Joy Ralph H. Kapp Mary Jane Kennicott Jack Rhodes Kervan Leland T. Kintzele Louis Kintzele D.C. Kiplinger



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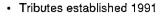


Paul Ecke, Sr.

Kiyo Kitayama Masuko Kitayama Electa Koehler Jerome Krivit Paul Krone Yoke Kuromi Kenneth Lawlor John Liesveld John R. McGinley Bertrand G. McGinnis Wake McLellan Melvin Mack Ed Manda George Mangel, Sr. Gurney Mann Joseph T. Markow Mary Ann Markwood Jack Mayesh Joseph Merritt, Sr. W.J. Messmer Richard V. Mikesell Mary M. Mikuriya William G. Minich, Jr. Stanley C. Minshall Jim Morrell Leon Moskatel Barbara B. Mosmiller Frank, W.E. & F.J. Mosmiller Col. Walter Mosmiller, Jr. Rollo Mueller G. Edwin Murphy Albert J. Neill Mr. & Mrs. H. D. Neve Hannah Niday Ross Nielsen Kenneth Noppe Mr. & Mrs. Albert Oelschig, Sr. Pop Patterson

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Neil Wade Stuart Leo Stuhldreher Francis X. Stuppy Daniel V. Sugrue Shizuo George Suyeyasu Walter F. Swartz Josephine & Anton Svkora Fred M. Tayama Mitsuo Tokunaga Richard Tokunaga Fred Tredup Charles "Bob" Tryon John Tuefel Barbara Euser Van Namen Tony Van Namen Vincent Vanni John H. Walker Adolph "Ade" Webera Erwin Weder Herbert R. Weder Robert Weidner Henry Weiland Paul E. Weiss James C. Welch Fred Wesemever June Wesemeyer Joseph C. Wetzel Judy Wetzel George V. Wienhoeber & Rudolph Scheffler Roy F. Wilcox George Wilke Hubert Wolfe Thomas J. Wolfe & George Wolfe, Sr. Luther Wright Harold F. Yoder





Francis X. Stuppy

## Contributor Recognition

All individuals and organizations making a contribution to the Endowment within the last year, or those contributing a minimum of \$500, are listed in this report. All listings are according to levels reached as of December 31, 1991.

Designations have been assigned various levels of giving. Contributions are cumulative and provide a practical way of building individual and organizational participation. Recognition plaques are presented annually to those reaching different levels, beginning with the Guardian level.

#### Designations include:

Builders	\$25,000 and above
Benefactors	\$20,000 to \$25,000
Patrons	\$15,000 to \$20,000
Founders	\$10,000 to \$15,000
Protectors	\$ 5,000 to \$10,000
Guardians	\$ 2,500 to \$ 5,000
Vanguards	\$ 1,000 to \$ 2,500
Sentinels	\$ 500 to \$ 1,000
Sponsors	\$ 100 to \$ 500
Givers	under \$100

Since this report was prepared as of December 31, some contributors recognized for a given level at the Annual Meeting in July have moved up a level. The current status is recorded herein.

## **Special Awards**

In 1988 three new awards were established to recognize several major levels of giving to the Endowment:

The Gold, for \$50,000 - \$75,000 The Diamond, for \$75,000 - \$100,000 The Platinum, for \$100,000 and above

At the Endowment annual meeting, July 27, 1991, American Floral Services was presented with The Platinum. Recipients through 1991 follow.

#### Platinum:

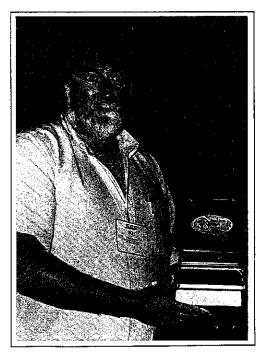
American Floral Services, Inc. Asocolflores/Colombia Flower Council Albert H. Burki Foundation Andrew L. Darbee Estate Florists' Transworld Delivery Association

#### Diamond:

Paul Ecke Poinsettias Teleflora, Inc. Yoder Brothers, Inc.

#### Gold:

Geo. J. Ball, Inc. Pennock Company



Bob Meinders, American Floral Services, Inc., receiving The Platinum.

#### **Builders**

American Floral Services, Inc.

Asocolflores/Colombia Flower Council
Association of Floral Importers of Florida
Bachman's, Inc.
Geo. J. Ball, Inc.
Arthur Blome Estate
Albert H. Burki Foundation
Oscar G. Carlstedt Co.
Century Florist Supply Co.
The Claprood Companies
Andrew L. Darbee Estate
DWF Wholesale Florists

Paul Ecke Poinsettias
Paul Ecke, Sr.
Florafax International, Inc.
Florists' Mutual Insurance Co.
Florists' Transworld Delivery
Assn.
Four Farmers, Inc.
Pete Garcia Company
Fred C. Gloeckner Estate
Gude Brothers Company
Highland Supply Corporation
Manatee Fruit Co.
Mikkelsens Incorporated
Col. and Mrs. Walter
Mosmiller, Jr. Estate

Pennock Company Pittsburgh Cut Flower Co. A.L. Randall Co. Smithers-Oasis Society Of American Florists Sunburst Farms, Inc. Syndicate Sales, Inc. Teleflora, Inc. Van's, Inc. WFR, Inc. Wholesale Florists and Florist Suppliers of America Wolfe The Florist, Inc. Yoder Brothers, Inc.



On hand to receive Builder plaques during the Endowment annual meeting breakfast were (l-r): Tim Matsuno, accepting for Wholesale Florists & Florist Suppliers of America; Lorenzo de la Torre, Four Farmers, Inc.; Ramon Garcia, accepting for Pete Garcia Company; Jim Teper, for the Association of Floral Importers of Florida.

## Benefactors

A&W Glads, Inc.
Paul F. & Alwina Amling Estate
Delaware Valley Wholesale
Florist, Inc.
John Henry Dudley
Walter J. Engel, Inc.
Kennicott Brothers Co.
Mt. Eden Nursery
Claymore C. Sieck, Inc.
Zelienople Greenhouses

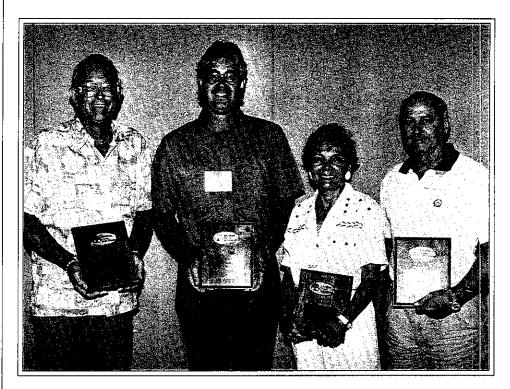


On hand to receive Benefactor plaques during the Endowment annual meeting breakfast were (l-r): Eric Shibata, accepting for Mt. Eden Nursery, Inc.; and John Wilkins, Delaware Valley Wholesale Florists, Inc.

#### **Patrons**

Armellini Express Lines, Inc.
Bay City Flower Co.
CFX, Inc.
Robert C. and Libby Dewey
Fred C. Flipse
Flower View Gardens
Gelco Internacional, SA
Bob Gilmore Company, Inc.
Greenleaf Wholesale Florists, Inc.
Hall Affiliates
Robert R. Hall, Inc.

The John Henry Co.
E.G. Hill Co.
Irwin Greenhouses, Inc.
McGinley Mills, Inc.
Northwest Florists' Assn.
Rainbow Flowers, Inc.
Ribbon Narrow Fabric Co., Inc.
Strange's Flst., Ghse. & Garden Center
Stuppy Family Foundation
John L. Tomasovic, Sr. Florist, Inc.



On hand to receive Patron plaques during the Endowment annual meeting breakfast were (l-r): John L. Tomasovic, John L. Tomasovic, Sr., Florist, Inc.; Ward Greenwall, for Greenleaf Wholesale Florists, Inc.; Sarah Armellini, Armellini Express Lines, Inc.; and Jim Hill, CFX, Inc.

#### **Founders**

Robert C. and Betty Abrams American Oak Preserving Co. Associated Cut Flower Co., Inc. Bay State Florist Supply Gordon Boswell Flowers, Inc. **CCC** Associates R.J. Carbone Co. Cleveland Plant & Flower Co. Everett Lawson Conklin Continental Farms Creative Distributors, Inc. The Exotic Gardens, Inc. Fairytale Foils Floralife, Inc. Frazee Flowers, Inc. Dr. David E. Hartley

The John Henry Co. Hungnong Seed Co., Ltd. Lehrer's Flowers McShan Florist, Inc. William A. Maas Mellano & Co. Oliver & Thompson, Inc. Park Floral Co. Paul's Wholesale Florist L. Piazza Wholesale Florists A.N. Pierson, Inc. A.L. Randall Co. Salesmen Jack W. Redditt San Diego County Flower Assn. Sluder Floral Co.

Southern California Floral
Assn.
Southern Floral Co.
Sunnyside Nurseries, Inc.
Bill Suyeyasu Whlse.
Florist, Inc.
Larry Teitel
Twyford Plant
Laboratories, Inc.
Jerome Wagner
Washington Bulb Co.
Weatherford Farms &
Greenhouses
MW, Inc.
N. H. Wright, Inc.



On hand to receive Founder plaques during the Endowment annual meeting breakfast were (l-r): Lyle Akey, accepting for Bill Suyeyasu Wholesale Florist, Inc.; Paul Ecke, Jr., for Mellano & Company; Jim Teper, Continental Farms; and Harvey Barber, accepting for Cleveland Plant & Flower Co.

#### **Protectors**

M. Adler's Son, Inc. American Carnation Society American Florist Exchange Amlings of California, Inc. Ashland-Addison Florist Badger Wholesale Florist, Inc. Ball Pan AM Plant Co. Larry Beck Behnke Nurseries Co. G.A. Berlin, Inc. I.W. Bianchi, Inc. Boesen The Florist **Brody Company** California Chrysanthemum Growers Assn. Candle Artisans, Inc. Chicago Florist Supply Company Clackamas Greenhouse, Inc. Conner Park Florist, Inc. Conroy's Inc. Conroy Wholesale Florist W.J. Cowee, Inc. Del Rey Plastics Dillon Floral Corporation John E. Dramm Dramm & Echter Elisabeth Ecke Elmhurst Flower Growers, Inc. Elmira Floral Products, Inc. Euser's Greenhouses, Inc. FTD District 2-A&B FTD District 6-A&B Fall River Florist Supply Co., Inc. Floral & Nursery Times

Florists' Mutual Ins. Co. Officers Flower News Foco, Inc. J.P. Freund, Inc. Gallup & Stribling Orchids, Inc. Pete Garcia Co. Sales Staff Garcia Group Glad-A-Way Gardens Golden State Bulb Growers Grace-Sierra Hort. Prods. Co. Groen Rose Co. O. Ben Haley, Jr. Mr. & Mrs. Donald Hook Claude Hope Roy Houff & Co. Inc. Robert E. Johnson Wm. F. Kasting Co. G.R. Kirk Co. Ray Kitayama Klepac Brothers Greenhouses, inc, Lansing Florists Exchange Leider Horticultural Companies Victor Levy Lincoln Wholesale Florists, Inc. Lynchburg Wholesale Floral Corp. Mainland Nursery, Inc. Malmborg's, Inc. Matsui Nursery, Inc. Cloy M. Miller Moore Paper Boxes, Inc. Mount Clemens Rose Gardens Mueller Brothers, Inc.

Mutual Cut Flower Co., Inc. Albert J. Neill Nelson & Holmberg Knud Nielsen Co., Inc. Nor Cal Flower Growers Norfolk Wholesale Floral Corp. Nurserymen's Exchange Nyren Brothers, Inc. Oglesby Plant Laboratories Oglevee Ltd. Oregon Roses, Inc. Pajaro Valley Greenhouses, Inc. Plant Marvel Laboratories Redbook Florist Services Regency International Bus. Corp. Royer's Flowers, Inc. Sakata Seed America, Inc. Robert Saunders & Co. Shinoda Floral Co. Stimming Flowers Sunshine State Carnations, Inc. Tagawa Greenhouses, Inc. Dr. Harry K. Tayama Twin City Florist Supply, Inc. United Wholesale Florists, Inc. Valent U.S.A. Corporation Vosters Nurseries, Inc. Mr. & Mrs. Otto P. Wentland Olin Wetzel Wilsey-Bennett Co./Floral Trans. Div. Renato J. Zappettini William Zappettini Co.



On hand to receive Protector plaques during the Endowment annual meeting breakfast were (l-r): Mack Harbour, Redbook Florist Services; Ramon Garcia, for the Garcia Group; Tom DiCanio, Floral & Nursery Times; Elisabeth (Jirv) Ecke, for Jinx Ecke; Brenda "B" Garcia, accepting for Candle Artisans, Inc., and W.J. Cowee, Inc.; Paul Ecke, Jr., American Florist Exchange; and Kenneth Benjamin, accepting for Elmhurst Flower Growers, Inc.

#### Guardians

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Speedway Flower Shop Spencer Florist & Garden Center St. Cloud Floral, Inc. Stanley's Flower Shop, Inc. Stanleys Fl&Fr Baskets State College Floral Shop Steffy's Flowers M.J. Steiner Flower Shop Stember Fashions in Flowers Sunnywoods Flower Shop Swanson The Florist, Inc. Swartley's Florist Taylor Floral Co., Inc. Tehachapi Flower Shop Thatchers Florist & Gifts The Blossom Shop The Bouquet Shop The Denville Plant Peddler The Flower Box The Flower Cart, Inc. The Flower Mill The Green Scene The Little Greenhouse The Loraine Gardens The Mariemont Florist The Norwich Flower Shop The Petal Pusher Florist The Posey Patch Florist Joseph Thomas Flower Shop Tommy Tucker Flower Shop Tucker Flower Shop, Inc. Tulio Tree Floral University Flower Shop, Inc. Valley Flowers Valley Garden Center Vidor Florist Shop Village Florist Village Flower & Gifts Village Green Vincent's Greenhouse Virginia's Flowers Walker's Florist Tom Ward Florist Wayside Gardens, Inc. Wayside Nurseries Henry Weiland Company Weinstock's Florists, Inc. Welke's House of Roses West End Greenhouses Westloop Floral Wharton House of Flowers Whidden Florist, Inc. William-Edward Florists Williams Flower Shop Winfield Flower Shoppe Winter Floral Co. Wirth Florist Woodbridge Shoppe Woodinville Florist World of Flowers Yazel's Colonial Flowers York Florist Yuess Gardens Company Zimmer Floral, Inc.

## Endowment Club

The Endowment Club was established to recognize contributors of \$10,000 or more, those who pledge to complete this amount within ten years through cash donations, provide a bequest in their will, or take out a \$30,000 whole life insurance policy. Endowment Club members as of December 1991, follow:

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## Projects and Grants

#### 1991 Research Projects

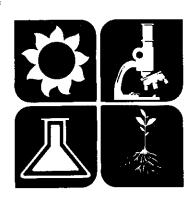
Semi-annual progress reports are required on all Endowment sponsored research projects, with final reports to be submitted upon completion of the work. The purpose of the progress reports is to enable the Trustees and the public to stay abreast of the status of projects, and to assure that objectives remain constant.

While the Endowment Board of Trustees makes final decisions, to assist in this effort the SAF Research Committee has reviewed proposals and made recommendations to the Board for funding since 1978. The Endowment extends grateful thanks and appreciation to SAF for this important support.

In December, 1989, the Endowment began publishing indepth reports on various research areas and, in some instances, specific research projects. They are included with the quarterly newsletter, *Update*, and sent to all Endowment contributors. The focus is "News You Can Use."

Following is a review of 1991 projects with objectives and some anticipated benefits identified. A total of \$420,513.00 was allocated.

Full reports on any Endowment sponsored project may be received by calling the Endowment office or contacting the research project leader directly.



Research is
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issues that
have a bearing
on any
agriculturerelated
business.

#### **Breeding**

• Breeding New Hippeastrum Cultivars Using Diploid Species, Dr. Alan W. Meerow, University of Florida; \$10,000. In its second year of Endowment sponsorship, this amaryllis breeding program can benefit the industry by introducing novel strains of a proven crop, including pot plants, cut flower and landscape cultivars, and by expanding domestic amaryllis production in the United States.

#### **Economics**

• Flora-Stats, \$110,000. This industry-wide statistical information and data base was initiated by the Endowment following the National Research Priorities Summit held in 1987, during which this was identified as the number one need. Flora-Stats is an industry-wide data and information base for the floral industry. See page 40 for additional information.

#### **New Crops**

• SAF/USDA/Endowment New Crops Programs, Florist and Nursery Crops Lab, USDA, Beltsville, Maryland; \$30,000. This major effort began in 1984 with a five-year matching funds agreement signed by the Endowment on behalf of the industry with the United States Department of Agriculture. In continuing efforts, a second five-year agreement was signed in 1989. The purpose is to develop new floricultural crops and improved methods of production.

### Pest Management

Pest Management was identified as the number two priority at the Endowment Research Priorities Summit. With the public's increased interest in and awareness of environmental issues, this work becomes more significant daily. The overriding objective of research in this area is to formulate practical alternatives to pesticides and still provide for the production of a high quality product.

- Evaluation of Trichoderma Harzianum for Rhizosphere Competency in Plug Production of Selected Bedding Plants, Dr. John M. Brown, University of Missouri; \$5,940. Many species of trichoderma (fungus) are known to control some soilborne plant diseases and stimulate plant growth. This research investigates the competency of trichoderma in plugs and then in cellpacks and containers after transplanting.
- The Effect of Modifying the Microenvironment Among Geranium Stock Plants within a Greenhouse on Botrytis Blight and Sporulation of Botrytis Cinerea, Dr. Mary K. Hausbeck, Michigan State University; \$11,300. This research aims to develop pathogen-free planting stock and computerized plant growth optimization strategies. Benefits include a cost-effective, high quality product delivered in the quantities wanted and at the time they are wanted.
- Developing Temperature Regimes to Limit Whitefly and Aphid Population Growth, Dr. John E. Erwin, University of Minnesota; \$10,213. The use of temperature to control plant growth has received considerable attention. Could such information be applied to pest control? This is the main objective of the work proposed to determine how day/night temperature regimes affect the rate of development and the reproductive potential of whitefly and aphids.
- Analysis of Spray Application
  Methodology for the Greenhouse, Dr. Ken
  Giles, University of California, Davis;
  \$5,000. In its second year of Endowment
  sponsorship, the researcher is
  investigating the feasibility of using
  electrostatic applications of biorational
  materials (oils, soaps, botanical
  insecticides, etc.) to control insects and
  mites.
- The Development of Integrated Pest Management in Floriculture, Dr. Michael Parrella, University of California, Davis; \$41,880. In its fourth year of Endowment sponsorship, this major project covers a

broad range of insect and mite pests attacking major floriculture crops in the United States. An objective is to bring biological control down from its "pie-in-the-sky" reputation into something practical for producers. At the same time, specific studies are underway for biological control of aphids, whiteflies (sweet-potato and greenhouse) and western flower thrips.

- Control of Tomato Spotted Wilt Virus in Floral Crops, Dr. James W. Moyer, North Carolina State University; \$35,280. Loss of crops due to this virus is well-documented worldwide. NC State currently has the only lab in the United States with a major research effort directed at the control of TSWV-I type. Initial work identified a previously unrecognized strain and made antisera available to the industry. Current work is leading to the development of resistant cultivars. This project is in its third year of Endowment sponsorship.
- Plant Resistance as Part of IPM for Whiteflies on Floral Crops, Dr. John P. Sanderson, Cornell University; \$22,750. In its first year of Endowment sponsorship, the project leader is in frequent

- communication with Dr. Parrella at UC Davis (project leader for the IPM program) to assure complementary efforts and minimize overlap. Whiteflies are known to be one of the most serious pests of floral crops. The goal of this research is to aid in their control with less insecticides, and possibly generate useful information in breeding for resistance.
- Production Program for Virus-free Alstroemeria, Dr. Robert Langhans, Cornell University; Dr. Mark Bridgen, University of Connecticut; Dr. Richard Craig, Pennsylvania State University; \$20,000. According to the literature. practically no research has been done in the United States, and little elsewhere. examining alstroemeria viruses. This project's objectives are to determine if a virus is associated with the deleterious symptoms observed in a new variety developed through a previous Endowment grant; to develop a virus indexing therapy system for alstroemeria; and to develop a production system for growing and maintaining pathogen-free stock plants.



Members of the SAF Research Cmmittee meeting in Arlington, Virginia, October, 1991: Standing left to right, Juan Mejia, Chairman David Niklas, Gary Gallup, Staff Executive Steve Daigler. Seated left to right, Dr Richard Craig, Margery Daughtrey.

The ultimate impact of research is found with the consumer who receives greater satisfaction that will encourage continued use.

#### **Post Production Studies**

It has long been estimated by knowledgeable scientists that greater losses of plants and flowers occur after harvest during the transport and marketing period than occurred during production in the field or greenhouse. Endowment objectives include this area of research as well as improved production practices.

- Post Greenhouse Evaluations of Forced Bulbous Plants, Dr. Terril A. Nell, University of Florida and Dr. August A. DeHertogh, North Carolina State University; \$11,000. In its third year of Endowment sponsorship, this project aims to establish a comprehensive data base to determine the effective home-life of selected forced bulbous and tuberous flowering potted plants. Success will provide the industry with proper data for marketing and utilization of these plants, resulting in increased consumer satisfaction and expanded sales.
- Physiological and Hormonal Factors Related to Longevity of Flowering Potted Plants, Dr. Terril A. Nell and Dr. James Barrett, University of Florida; \$14,500. In its fourth year, this project focuses on relating physiological parameters (photosynthesis, dark respiration, carbohydrate levels) to increased longevity of flowering potted plants, and evaluating the effects of exogenous growth substances on expending the longevity of flowering potted plants.

## **Production Technology**

As a research area, production technology in the United States received considerable attention between the end of WWII and the 1980s. In the last decade, research facilities abroad apparently have moved ahead in making technological advances. An example of this can be related to a variety of Brodiaea. Native to North America, particularly known in the northern California-Oregon areas, most of

these cut flowers sold in the U.S. are imported from the Netherlands.

- Year-Round Flowering of Triteleia
  Laxa "Queen Fabiola" with Ethylene
  Treatment, Dr. Susan S. Han, University of
  Massachusetts; \$7,300. This project could
  benefit the floral industry by introducing
  a "new" profitable crop to U.S. growers
  (Brodiaea), reducing the production costs
  for each flower thereby saving costs for
  retailers and, ultimately, the consumer,
  and allowing the U.S. grower to provide
  the crop year-round.
- Growth Regulator Effects in Seed Propagated Tuberous Begonias, Dr. Meriam G. Karlson, University of Alaska; \$4,500. The "non-stop" cultivars of tuberous begonias became popular during the 1980s as potted plants, bedding plants and hanging baskets. Since most of the growth regulation recommendations for this variety are based on another, although close, variety, work needs to be done here on plant performance after planting outside to assure consumer satisfaction and continued use.
- Thermodynamic Balance for Promoting Alstroemeria Production, Dr. Douglas Hopper, Colorado State University; \$10,650. This study proposes simplified closed and open systems designs for cooling media temperature to enable control of alstroemeria production. Benefits to the industry include advantages to the U.S. grower for competing with increasing imports.
- Floriculture Environmental and Modeling Research, Dr. John Biernbaum and Dr. Royal D. Heins, Michigan State University; \$39,000. This project will define changes in irrigation and fertilization practices with a view toward improved water quality, and it will continue investigations into understanding how temperature and light can be used to regulate plant growth. In its third year of Endowment sponsorship, results in each area of the project will likely have both immediate and long-term benefits for the entire floral industry.

#### 1991 Education Projects

With constantly developing knowledge and technology, the floral industry has become much more complex. Attracting personnel has sometimes been difficult, and competition from other industries, even within the agricultural community, has always been a formidable factor. In an effort to bring a focus to the floral industry as a career, the Endowment has sponsored a number of education programs for many years. The largest investment has been in the Mosmiller Scholar Program.

Mosmiller Scholar Program, \$12,000. A combination internship-scholarship program sponsored since 1975, this effort seeks to provide selected, motivated university students enrolled in four-year floriculture/environmental horticulture degree programs with a quality, paid professional training experience as well as a monetary grant upon completion of the internship. (At a recent Trustees meeting the grant was increased to \$2,000, and the number of students who may be selected annually decreased from ten to six.)

Since inception, more than 180 students have become Mosmiller Scholars. In a survey several years ago it was learned that about 70 percent of the scholars were working full time in the floral industry or some related field such as teaching. See page 42.



Representing three of the four sponsors of the FFA National Floricultural Proficiency Award, including the Endowment, John L. Tomasovic, Sr., John L. Tomasovic, Sr. Florist, St. Louis, Missouri, Congratulates the 1991 winner, Daniel A. Ross, Canby, Oregon.

Other education commitments include:

- reprinting the SAF "Careers in Floriculture" brochures, \$6,500;
- sponsorship of the SAF Floricultural Booth at the annual National FFA Convention, \$2,000
- sponsorship of one scholarship through the FFA Foundation for floriculture study at the university level, \$1,000;
- one-quarter sponsorship of the National Floriculture Proficiency Annual Award through the FFA Foundation, \$4,200;
- co-sponsorship of the Annual Intercollegiate Flower Judging and Floral Design Contest, \$4.500
- support for the American Horticulture Therapy Association, \$500; and
- support for the National Junior Horticulture Association, \$500.

Recognizing that professional educators in the United States, including persons with research, extension and teaching responsibilities, need to periodically exit their home universities/research centers for professional improvement and renewal purposes, the Endowment established a Sabbatical Leave Grant program several years ago. Foreign sabbaticals are encouraged and given preference with the expectation of adding to the U.S. knowledge base. While no grants were made this year, two grants of up to \$7,500 may be available annually. Nine academicians have thus far received some funding.



Kimberly Morris, Troy, North Carolina, winner of the \$1,000 FFA Scholarship sponsored by the Endowment. She is studying agricultural education at North Carolina State University.

#### **Special Projects**

The Endowment policy continues to be to emphasize the development of the Endowment. However, in 1982, the Board determined that designated funds may be received to support projects approved by the Board for such funding.

Two long term **designated funding** programs were established with cooperative agreements signed between the Endowment and the U.S. Department of Agriculture in 1984: **New Crops Development** at the Florist and Nursery Crops Laboratory and **A Centralized Research Information Data Base** at the National Agricultural Library.

Responding to the expressed desires of industry as determined at the National Research Priorities Summit held in 1987, the Endowment undertook the first step in development of an industry-wide data and information base in the latter half of 1989. Recognizing the need to have the cooperation and financial support of many industry companies and organizations, the effort was dubbed "Together to Gather," and this continues as the underlying theme today. The name selected and registered with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office for the data base is **Flora-Stats**.

#### **New Crops**

Sponsored jointly by the Society of American Florists (SAF), USDA and the Endowment, this program concluded its fifth year in mid-1989. A new 5-year contract was signed for 1989-1994, and calls for \$30,000 per year from industry to be matched by USDA. Many firms and organizations have provided the necessary industry support for this program. SAF serves as industry liaison.

#### **NAL Data Base**

Dubbed the Floriculture Information Connection, work continues on developing this centralized research and education information data base at the Library. Current activity involves updating the annotated bibliography on marketing of floricultural products and documenting Endowmentsponsored research and education grants

awarded each year. Initial funding for the program was provided by 5 industry firms and organizations. The Endowment serves as industry liaison.

#### Flora-Stats

Flora-Stats, the industry wide data and information base started by the Endowment in late 1988 in response to the 1987 Research Priorities Summit, continues to grow and expand. The current objective of the program is to create segment statistics as building blocks toward establishing this base. At present the program is three-fold — Wire Services Deliveries Study, Wholesalers Statistics Study and a study of imports through the Association of Floral Importers of Florida members. In 1992 the Endowment plans to add a consumer research study to further expand the existing data base.

The first study to begin was the Wire Services Deliveries Study. The study consists of monthly gathering of wire service delivery statistics including number of deliveries, total amount of deliveries, average value of deliveries, and percentage of change from the previous year, both for the United States and the nine U.S. Census Regions. The past three years data of the Wire Service Deliveries have shown:

#### Wire Service Deliveries Industry Estimate

	Dollar Sales (000)	Total Number of Deliveries (000)	Average Value of Delivery
1988	\$907,548.1	30,053.5	30.20
1989	\$961,574.9	30,639.8	31.38
1990	\$1,003,063.4	30,850.9	32.51

The second study in the program was the Wholesalers Study, an annual survey of wholesale facilities measuring the movement of fresh cut flowers and greens through floral wholesalers. Information gathered includes gross sales, channel of distribution, employment level, and gross dollar sales per employee. Data is reported both in composite summary for the United States and by the nine U.S. Census Regions. The 1988-1989

Wholesaler Statistics Report showed a total increase of 5.7% in gross dollar sales of perishable product. The Non-Traditional Retail Florist (supermarkets, etc.) channel of distribution showed a greater percentage of change than the Traditional Retail Florist.

The Importers Study collects data weekly on fresh cut flower shipments through the Association of Floral Importers of Florida members. Information includes units and dollar values of 26 major product categories. At this time, information is unavailable for publication.

The Consumer Research Study has been requested repeatedly at Endowment sponsored meetings. The Endowment Board of Trustees approved this study at their November, 1991, meeting and allocated \$50,000 to get the project underway. Other industry organizations will be solicited for input and financial support.

The results of these studies are published annually in the **Floral Industry Statistics Report**. The most recent report was pub-

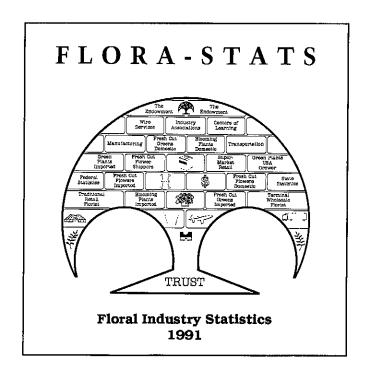
lished in July 1991.

The long term objective of creating an industry wide data and information base requires more studies as well as an integration of statistics already available. The first step was to identify and explore existing reports and the information each contained. An annotated bibliography was developed listing methodology, formats, and type of information contained in both government reports and independent, organizational, and cooperative reports. This is an ongoing project. New reports are added as they are located and reviewed.

The second step is to verify the reliability of each of the reports and identify how the reports may be consolidated to provide additional data.

The third step is to determine additional information needs and design methods and formats to gather this information.

With these objectives in mind, the Florastats program will continue to grow and expand. With each new study, the industry continues "Together to Gather."



Total 1991 Grants \$420,513

## Mosmiller Scholar Program

This program seeks to provide selected, motivated university students, enrolled in floriculture/environmental horticulture degree programs, with a quality, paid professional training experience, including a grant of \$2000 upon satisfactory completion of the training. In addition, the program's objectives include giving firms within the industry an opportunity to observe and work with above-average students under actual employment conditions.

Nearly 180 students have become Mosmiller Scholars through this combination internship-scholarship program. The following six became Mosmiller Scholars during 1991:

#### 1991 Mosmiller Scholars

Randy Allamand University of Wisconsin, River Falls Trained: Manatee Fruit Company Palmetto, FL

Sarah Bradeen North Carolina State University Trained: Bachman's Inc. Minneapolis, MN

Kenneth Pride University of Florida Trained: Tagawa Greenhouses Brighton, CO

Heidi Schrott Michigan State University Trained: Flower View Gardens Los Angeles, CA

Jennifer Stuart University of Missouri Trained: John L. Tomasovic Sr. Florist St. Louis, MO

Tamara Wentzel
The Pennsylvania State University
Trained: Charles F. Kremp 3 Florist
Philadelphia, PA

The American Floral Endowment initiated the Mosmiller Scholar program in 1975 as part of its educational funding program for the floriculture/environmental horticulture industry. Earnings derived from monies



Randy Allamand:



Sarah Bradeen



Kenneth Pride



Heidi Schrott



Jennifer Stuart



Tamara Wentzel

bequeathed to the Endowment by the late Colonel and Mrs. Walter E. Mosmiller, Jr. provide the main source of financial support for the program.

Col. Mosmiller, a past chairman of the Endowment and a former retail florist in Richmond, Virginia, had always demonstrated a great interest in professional training and encouraged young people to pursue careers in the floral industry.

The Trustees of the Endowment established the program to honor Col. and Mrs. Mosmiller in a meaningful extension of their dedication to the industry. Students who complete the program will be known as *Mosmiller Scholars*.

## Total Grants | 1961-1991

Research		Education	
University of Alaska	\$8,500	Academic Advisors for SAF	
University of Arizona	7,200	Research Committee	
University of California,		and Endowment	\$45,000
Davis	250,265	American Horticultural	
University of California,		Therapy Assn.	4,500
Riverside	261,680	ASHS Symposium	500
Clemson University	9,250	ASHS Floricultural Education	
Colorado State University	87,450	Group Workshop	1,136
University of Connecticut	109,841	DuPage Horticultural School	
Cornell University	227,160	Loan Fund	20,000
Flora-Stats	274,600	FFA Convention Booth	15,700
University of Florida	215,100	FFA Floriculture Scholarship	5,000
The Florida Agricultural		FFA Floriculture Proficiency	
Research and Education	01 -00	Award	21,900
Center	65,500	Intercollegiate Flower Judging	
University of Georgia	11,000	Contest	8,200
University of Hawaii	10,500	International Energy	
University of Illinois	36,500	Conference - Ohio	4,000
Kansas State University	26,000	Kiplinger Chair Publications	11,500
University of Massachusetts	21,500	Mechanization Exploration	
Meyer Manhattan Psychiatric	1 500	Trip to Holland	1,000
Hospital	1,500	Mosmiller Scholar Program	124,800
Michigan State University	293,600	National 4-H Council	10,000
University of Minnesota	73,700	National Junior	۲ 000
University of Missouri	5,900	Horticulture Assn.	5,000
North Carolina State University		Profile objectives/guidelines	5,000
The Ohio State University The Ohio Agricultural	110,000	for modeling Publication ISHS Floricultural	5,000
Research and Development		Workshop Paper	850
Center	69,500	Sabbatical Leave Grants (9)	53,750
The Pennsylvania State	05,500	Smithsonian Institution	25,000
University	138,792	Society of American Florists	65,249
Purdue University	16,500	Symposium on Role of	00,240
Rutgers	9,000	Horticulture in Human	
Society of American Florists	66,500	Well-being/Social	
Texas A&M University	9,250	Development	4,000
United States Department of	0,200	Tomato Spotted Wilt Virus/	2,000
Agriculture	377,500	Western Flower Thrips	
•Florists & Nursery	211,222	Symposium (2)	12,000
Crops Lab (327,500)		-J (=,	,
National Agricultural		Total	\$444,085
Library (50,000)			, ,
Virginia Polytechnic Institute			
& State University	57,500		
Washington State University	17,700		
University of Wisconsin	26,700		
University of Wisconsin			
Medical College	15,000		
WF&FSA	2,500		
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Total \$3	3,016,988		

Total Research & Education Grants 1961-1991 - \$3,461,073

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A review of the work being funded by the Endowment is clear testimony to the value of the dollars contributed in the past.

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There are many ways to support the Endowment, whatever an individual or firm's budget or circumstances may be. Since every member of the floral industry has a vested interest in its future, support for the Endowment, however small or large, by whatever means, makes it possible to take another positive step forward.

**CASH CONTRIBUTIONS** are welcome any time and in any amount. Pledges over a period of years may easily be arranged with reminder statements issued as desired.

**STOCKS**, **BONDS & REAL ESTATE** may be designated as gifts to the Endowment and provide excellent ways to brighten your tax picture as well. They are freed from the liability of increased value which would be incurred if these holdings were sold, while a deduction on the tax return can be made at the market value of the properties as recorded by the Endowment.

**LIFE INSURANCE** provides another meaningful way to make a contribution. You may be able to make a very substantial long term gift in this way, and still build your level of giving from year to year.

A **BEQUEST IN YOUR WILL** makes it possible to have a portion of your estate contributed. This can be handled with a codicil specifying your wishes. The following clause is a typical bequest paragraph:

"I give, devise, and bequeath the sum of \_\_\_\_\_\_ dollars (\$ \_\_\_\_\_) to the American Floral Endowment, an organization incorporated under the laws of the District of Columbia, and designated a 501(c) (3) organization by the Internal Revenue Service.

**DEFERRED GIVING** programs take many forms, and can be creatively tailored to the individual. Among the more popular programs are Charitable Remainder Trusts and Gift Annuities. Each can provide income for life, immediate tax savings and ultimately a major gift to the Endowment.

**MATERIAL CONTRIBUTIONS** may also be made in the form of marketable heirlooms, jewelry, objects d'art or other valuables.

#### All Contributions Are Tax Deductible

The Endowment is a tax exempt organization, and both personal and business contributions are tax deductible. Please feel free to contact the Endowment office for additional information or discuss the different ways to lend support.