AAN Members Exceed 1,800

More than 1,800 firms are now members of the American Association of Nurserymen. The figure is a new record. The latest membership statistics represent a net increase of more than 35% in four years. Forty-nine percent (882 firms) of the total AAN membership has joined in the past four years.

"Our goal of 2,000 members," said President William Flemer, "appears much more realistic than it did four years ago when we had 1,300 member firms."

New officers of the American Society of Consulting Arborists, Inc, are, from the left: Seated — Past president and director-at-large H. M. Van Wormer, Richmond, Va.; President Ray Gustin, Jr., Silver Spring, Md.; and President-elect George W. Goodall, Sr., Portland, Me. Standing — Vice-president Walter P. Morrow, Sewickley, Pa.; Secretary-treasurer H. M. Engledow, Indianapolis, Ind.; and directors F. L. Dinsmore of St. Louis, Mo., L. C. Chadwick of Columbus, Ohio, Riley R. Stevens of Portland, Ore. Director F. Earle Martin of West Toronto, Canada, was absent. H. M. Van Wormer received the Society's first Service Award. Henry Vaughan-Eames of Stockton, N.J., received a special award for his "work and dedication to the establishment of the society." He was the first president when ASCA was formed two years ago.

Real Estate Appraiser, Arborist Working Closer

E. L. "Bud" Dieudonne, real estate appraiser, and Phil Ziedner, U.S. Department of Justice attorney, discussed with the members of the American Society of Consulting Arborists the growing relationship between the real estate appraiser, the attorney and the arboricultural consultant. The discussion came at the Society's second annual business meeting recently in Washington, D.C.

E. L. "Bud" Dieudonne is a licensed real estate appraiser in the Washington metropolitan area. Real estate appraising and arboricultural consulting, he said, must go hand-in-hand. He indicated that his job is made far easier when he can rely on the assistance of a qualified, professional arboricultural consultant.

Phil Ziedner, an attorney for the Department of Justice described the legal aspects of arboricultural consulting. He explained exactly what "facts" were and were not acceptable in a court of law. Ziedner related some of his own experiences in this field and explained to attending members just how they might better prepare themselves to be effective witnesses when called to the courts.

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