

Member Receives Award

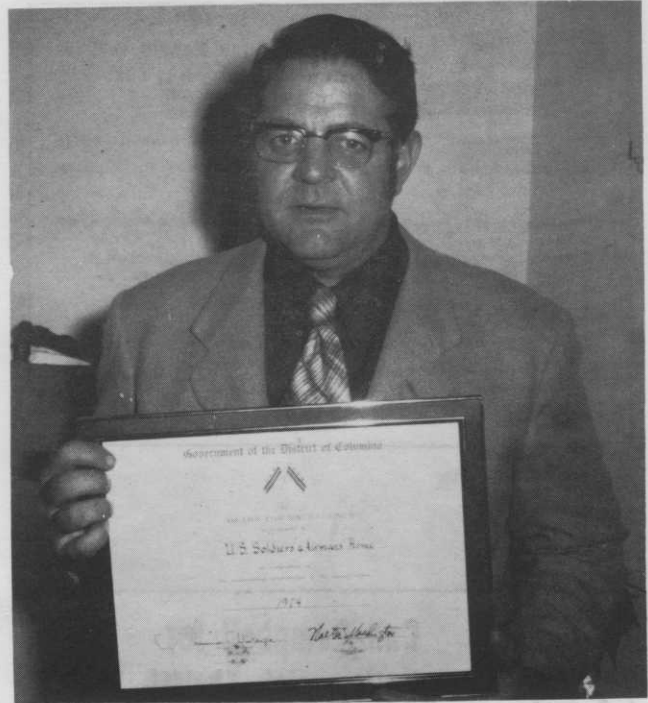
At ceremonies held Oct. 30, 1974 in the office of Mayor Walter Washington of the District of Columbia, member J. Paul Barefoot received for the United States Soldiers' and Airmen's Home the honor award in beautification for the Government Agencies Class.

The award was presented by the Beautification Division of the Dept. of Environmental Services after sessions of on site judging and eliminations.

Barefoot is the Chief; Grounds Maintenance, Landscaping and Transportation Division of the U.S. Soldiers' & Airmen's Home. His position includes responsibility for maintenance and improvement of approximately 400 acres of grounds, roads and walks, a 9 hole golf course, 20,000 sq. ft. of green house, transportation and fleet maintenance, and various other duties connected with the operation of this complex.

Having held this position for over ten years, Paul is of the opinion that beautification of the grounds is one of the more important jobs since the mission of the Home is to provide a home for over 2600 retired army and air force veterans. He feels that an abundance of shade trees, annual flower beds, rose gardens, and perennial beds, play an important role in the well being of the members who are in the senior citizen age group.

Paul was national president of the Professional Grounds Management Society from 1971 to 1973, and is presently president of the Mid-Atlantic Association of Golf Course Superintendents.



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