PLANTING TREES

Charles C. Hewitt (FCAS 1951)

1920-2014

Charlie Hewitt, CAS president (1972) and Academy vice-president (1977), believed in giving back. In his November 2000 address to new members, he challenged the audience to think of future generations: "Stop and, figuratively speaking, plant a tree under whose shade you will never sit." A well-known raconteur, Hewitt was also featured in the recent CAS Centennial Video discussing his encouragement for women to enter the profession.

Born in Trenton, New Jersey, he graduated from Princeton University in 1940. During WWII he served as a weather officer in U.S. Army Air Corps, rising to the rank of Captain and serving in Wilmington, North Carolina, and Shanghai, China.

Hewitt was employed by several insurance companies and retired in 1985 as president and CEO of Metropolitan Reinsurance Co., a company he helped found.

He was pre-deceased by his wife of 68 years, Mary Irene. He is survived by his brother, three children, five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.