

GOVERNOR: Roberta Battle, DTM

YEAR: 1997-1998

THEME: Make It Happen

Most Positive Accomplishments:

My most positive accomplishment was building an outstanding team that has worked together to successfully achieve goals with harmony and pride. The secret of our success was preparation – we worked together on each one's responsibility so next year, those continuing will also be prepared for their new duties.

Those Persons Whose Help Highlighted My Year:

First of all I list my team: Barbara Brackett, DTM [Lt. Gov. Education & Training]; Don Johnson, DTM [Lt. Gov. Marketing]; Ruth Maloney, DTM [Public Relations Officer]. Our support group has been the District Council, without whom, we would not have been such a success. Special recognition goes to Vern Bluhm, DTM and Alvin James, DTM [Chairman of District Special Projects]. The Past District Governors Committee, led by Arun Sen, DTM/PID has functioned in an invaluable advisory role. I was fortunate to have such an exemplary group.

My Favorite Memories:

The Fall Conference with visiting International President Len Jury, DTM and his lovely wife Heather from New Zealand is a never to be forgotten experience, it was so well done

My most personal favorite memory came on the last day of the International Convention in New Orleans. With my last \$10 in my purse, I walked down to the River Boat docked at the pier at the end of Canal Street. It was a special gambling ship where you could get another taste of "southern hospitality" for \$5 admission. I'd never been on such a Riverboat. It was a wonderful experience. As I was slowly savoring the dollar slots – one at a time – on about my last dollar, I hit a \$600 jackpot!

