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Our very best
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Good luck out there, y'all!

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Nick's Song

(sung to the tune of "Little acorn"
by the Chenile Sisters)

I am a plant professor
I teach at St. Ben's
I've been here now for 30 years
And I've made a bunch of friends.

I've taught a lot of classes
Like Plant Taxonomy
I visit woods and prairie
With student and faculty.

I am a botanist, I love plants.

My students collect flowers
They gather trees and weeds
Then press the plants with loving care
To meet herbarium needs.

The students run to cubbies
To grab their I.D. keys
We search thru Gleason & Cronquist
As quick as you can please.

I am a botanist, I love plants.

I also teach Plant Kingdom
A look at plants diverse
To pass my tests the students they
Must study and rehearse.

Soon I will retire
Though busy will I stay
No papers or committees
Will bug me while I play.

I am a botanist, I love plants.

I'll spend time in Arizona
Where cacti reign supreme
But I won't forget my midwest roots
As I live out all my dreams.

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I've been here now for 30 years
And I've made a bunch of friends.

The Good Dr. Z

(to the tune of "Sweet Betsy from Pike")

Have you ever heard of the good Dr. Z?
Who travelled the road that we call botany
Into the woods the biota to see
He'll name you each flower, each fern, and each tree.

Born in the middle of the upper midwest
A place that will put any man to the test
It's here he has lived and taught all the best
Except in the winter when he always heads west.

He will speak to us all about xylem and phloem
Or seeds that you plant to see if you can grow 'em
Some you plant in the garden and some in the home
For you see he and Helen raised a crop of their own.

For more than three decades at the college of Ben
Expounding on plants to the women and men
Who flocked to his classes like cubs to a den
At the ungodly hour of eight a.m.

The cork and the vascular they both have a cambium
While each stem and root has an apical meristem
Primary and secondary either xylem or phloem
Spongy and palisade mesophyll, yes you know 'em.

To study the plant life in sunshine and shower
For many a liverwort, alga, and flower
Climbing the hill to the chimes from the tower
The students arose to attend his first hour.

Leaves, pinnate or palmate and dermal stomata
Meristem and root hair and plasmodesmata
Sepal and petal and style and stigma
Let it be known that we surely will miss ya.

You've done a great job that is easy to see
As bio-types we tip our craniums to ye
And no higher praise could we possibly give thee
"He's a fellow with chloroplasts where corpuscles should be."