

## SILVER MEDAL TO MRS. BLOOMER

The Silver Medal for service to the Society was awarded at the 1967 Convention in Philadelphia to Mrs. Howard B. Bloomer, Jr., of Lorton, Va.

The citation in which her name was presented to the convention read:

“Having been an enthusiastic lover of daffodils, an amateur grower, exhibitor and promoter of the growing of daffodils as a hobby for more than 25 years, Mrs. Bloomer is a charter member of this Society. She has always been most generous of her extensive knowledge, her garden and her bulbs, and willingly shares her experiences in growing daffodils. She has interested an untold number of people in growing and showing daffodils. This past spring two winners of the Carey E. Quinn Medal from different ADS regions are members whom she originally interested and encouraged to grow and exhibit daffodils.

“Mrs. Bloomer is an ADS judge of recognized ability and has served as an instructor in our schools for judges. She has promoted the American Daffodil Society widely among her many friends overseas who are hybridizers and growers. In April, 1966, Mrs. Bloomer was the first to exhibit American flowers in an RHS London Show. Taking some 60 daffodil blooms, she made 15 entries and won 12 awards. This supplemented the recognition of interested overseas friends of our Society, exhibited to them the quality of daffodils grown in the United States, made them more aware of the American Daffodil Society and its purposes and accomplishments, and undoubtedly gave us excellent publicity.

“Ten years ago when publication of *The Bulletin* was initiated, Mrs. Bloomer became its editor. Today, partly because of her contribution of time, effort and enthusiasm, *The Bulletin* has grown to become THE JOURNAL of the American Daffodil Society of which we are all so proud, and she continues to serve as editor.”

The ADS Gold Medal for high achievement in daffodil culture was not awarded this year.