

# The American Daffodil Society Mid Atlantic Newsletter Fall 2010

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#### **Message from the President**

Dear New and Longtime Members,

The time has arrived when the business of the Mid Atlantic Region and its Daffodil Society's needs to be addressed. I hope that a record number of you will join us at our fall meetings. There will be lots of important information, speakers, bulb raffles and sales to suit everyone.

Also important is voting for the new Regional Director. Karen Cogar has served the region well over the past three years. We thank her for her time and dedication to ADS.

There is still time to send me your suggestions (a short note of accomplishments included) to honor a most valued member.

The Regional meeting this year will be in conjunction with the Virginia Society meeting. That date is October 9<sup>th</sup>, to be held at the Lewis Ginter Center. Inside you will find more information and a registration form.

We have a wonderfully active region because of you the members. Let's keep on being the best!

See you in October,

Lissa Williamson - Regional Vice President

#### Reminder about your ADS dues:

The ADS converted to an annual dues renewal date of JULY 1. The 'PAID THROUGH' date near your name on your *Daffodil Journal* indicates when your ADS membership needs to be renewed. You may renew by sending your check, made payable to ADS, to:

Jaydee Ager. ADS Executive Director P O Box 522, Hawkinsville, GA 31036-0522 You may renew online at the ADS web store: www.daffodilusastore.org

#### **Welcome New Members!**

The Mid Atlantic region wishes to welcome the following new members:

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7500 Cherry Tree Drive This was a gift membership from ADS member

Fulton, MD 20759 Martha Best of Clarksville, MD

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#### **Important Dates to Remember in 2010and 2011:**

October 2nd – **ADS Fall Board Meeting** with an Intermediates Symposium at The Sheraton Premiere at Tysons Corner, VA. See further details in this newsletter.

October 9th - "Two for One" **Virginia Daffodil Society and Regional meeting** at Lewis Ginter Botanical Gardens, 1800 Botanical Gardens, 1800 Lakeside Ave. Richmond, VA 23228. See further details in this newsletter.

October 16th - Maryland Daffodil Society meeting held at 10:00AM in the new greenhouse classroom at the Cylburn Arboretum, 4915 Greenspring Ave. Baltimore MD 21209

October 23rd - Washington Daffodil Society Fall meeting with a bulb exchange and bulb order pickup will be at a **new location**: American Legion Post, 400 North Oak St., Falls Church, VA 22046

October 30, 2010, **Northeast North Carolina Daffodil Society** will have it's fall meeting and bulb exchange at the the County Cooperative Extension Services Facility, 120 Community Way, Barco, NC 27917. Contact Clay Higgins for additional details. chiggins@comcast.net.

March 10<sup>th</sup> -13<sup>th</sup> 2011-ADS National Convention and Show, Jackson, Mississippi. Hosted by the Central Mississippi Daffodil Society. Convention Chair: TedSnazelldaffyted@bellsouth.net Convention information will be on ADS website: www.daffodilusa.org There will be a ADS Judging School II.

Plant your best bulbs NOW for the <u>2012 ADS Convention</u>! It's the Mid-Atlantic's turn to host the National Show on April 19-22, 2012 in Towson, MD. Volunteers are needed for the national convention and show to be held at the Baltimore Sheraton North in Towson, MD. Please contact convention chairman Julie Minch-<u>Julesmin@gmail.com</u>, or show co-chairs Joan Bender and Nicki Schwab.

### **2011 Mid Atlantic Spring Shows:**

March 19, 2011, **The Northeast North Carolina Daffodil Show** will be held on Saturday, March 19 2011, in the Auditorium of the County Cooperative Extension Facility 120 Community Way, Barco NC 27917. **ADS Judging School I** will be held at this same facility on March 18<sup>th</sup>. Contact Clay Higgins, show chairperson and Judging School chairman for additional details chiggins@comcast.net (240) 632-0002

March 26<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>-**Gloucester Daffodil Show, Gloucester, VA.** The 61th Annual Daffodil Show will be held at a **NEW location**: Ware Academy, 7936 John Clayton Memorial Highway, Gloucester, VA 23178. For more information and to register early for the artistic division call Cam Williams at 804-693-3566 or email at <a href="mailto:cam-farm@msm.com">cam-farm@msm.com</a>. The show chairs are Marianne Bowles, PO BX 2363, Gloucester, VA 23061, <a href="mailto:bowles.robertmarianna@gmail.com">bowles.robertmarianna@gmail.com</a> and Jean Johnson, PO BX 52, Ware Neck, VA 23178 <a href="mailto:crickihouse@aol.com">crickihouse@aol.com</a> Their blogsite: <a href="mailto:www.gloucesterdaffodils.blogspot.com">www.gloucesterdaffodils.blogspot.com</a>

April 2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>-**The Virginia Daffodil Society** will hold its show at Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden. The VDS Show Chair is Linda Simon, 804-752-7598<u>linda.simon@comcast.net</u>

April 4<sup>th-6th</sup>-**The Edgewater Show, MD, NEW location:** Our Shepard Lutheran Church, Benefiled Blvd, Severna Park 21146. Contact is Marie Coulter, 410-674-8971 or Frankandmarie@verizon.net

April 2<sup>nd</sup> – **The Princess Anne Show, MD** contact is Mary Ann Peterman, the Club President at dailyone@aol.com.

April 6<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>-**The Garden Club of Virginia** hosted by the Hillside Garden Club will hold their 77<sup>th</sup> Daffodil Show. Contact Melanie Christian, 434-384-1881 or <a href="mailto:mfchristian@msn.com">mfchristian@msn.com</a> More information can be found at <a href="mailto:www.gcvirginia.org">www.gcvirginia.org</a>.

April 9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>-**The Washington Daffodil Society** will hold its show at Brookside Gardens, 1800 Glenallen Avenue, Wheaton, MD. Contact Donna Clausen, 703-751-6042 <u>doric44@aol.com</u> or Carol Kennedy, 703-780-7779 <u>cekart@hotmail.com</u>

April 12-**Upperville Show** will be at Buchanan Hall, Upperville, VA. Show chair is Barbara Sharp <a href="mailto:bsharp@rstarmail.com">bsharp@rstarmail.com</a>

April 19<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>-**The Maryland Daffodil Society will be the <u>Regional Host</u>**, and its show will be held at the Shops at Kenilworth, 800 Kenilworth Drive, Towson, MD 21204.Contact is Joan Bender, 410-744-8639 or <u>joanbender@comcast.net</u>

April 19<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>-**Dorchester Garden Club** at Immanuel United Church of Christ, 5401 Whitehall Rd., Cambridge, MD 21613.

Contact: Joanna Tilghman, joannasdaf@aol.com

#### You Are Not Too Late!!

## Intermediate Daffodil Symposium October 2, 2010

The Sheraton Premiere at Tyson's Corner, Vienna, VA.

Many of you have grown, are growing, or thought about growing Intermediate Daffodils. You may have questions as to how they best fit into the show schedules, how they are judged-if differently, can or should they be put into collections for their best advantage, where can you find a current list, or where can I purchase the bulbs? These and many more questions as to the future of intermediates will be discussed at the Intermediate Symposium. Our speakers, Loyce McKenzie, Bob Spotts, Richard Ezell, Brent Heath, Brian Duncan and Mitch Carney, our ADS Intermediate chairman, will cover a wide spectrum of information with their experiences and opinions in the daffodil world. Attendance at the symposium will count as a judge's refresher.

The Symposium will be held from 2-6PM on Saturday afternoon. A reception (cash bar) and dinner with guest speaker will follow. Brian has promised to bring bulbs for the auction.

Sunday will offer Optional Tours that you will not want to miss.

#### Air and Space Museum on your own:

The Steven F. Udvar-Hazy Center -part of the National Air and Space Museum- is located within minutes of Dulles International Airport. No admission fee – pay parking. Tour on your own and a shuttle to the airport is available. This is a wonderful opportunity to explore and take advantage of the world of aviation. Check the website for detailed information. Volunteer transportation is planned.

#### OR

The garden of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bier located within two miles of the hotel. Peg Bier is the perennial plant manager of the Fairfax Merrifield Garden Center, very knowledgeable about all aspects of gardening as is evidenced by her 2 acre garden landscaped thru the eyes of an artist. Her garden has evolved over the 30 years she has lived in her home. You won't see daffodils now but there is so much more to explore. Kathy Welsh says this is one of the finest home gardens she has ever seen and you don't want to miss this opportunity

Historic Clapham Ferry Farm near Leesburg, VA, owned by Mr. and Mrs. Travis Worsham. If history and gardening are among your interests we have just the place for you. The Clapham's Ferry Farm was started as a land-grant in the 1600's to Josias Clapham, friend of George Washington. The current owners have worked for 6 years reclaiming pastures, renovating the 1700's home and buildings, creating gardens and a polo field, enlarging fresh water pond and so much more while maintaining the historic values so important to the farm and location. The largest historic stone bank barn in Loudoun County is on the property and continues to be used for their horses and hay.

Box lunches for the garden tours and lunches prior to the Symposium can be pre-ordered on the registration form. **Early registration is appreciated for better planning.** 

**Deadline for Hotel Reservations** with the **special rate of \$79.00** for single or double occupancy is **September 1, 2010.** Group code- American Daffodil Society. Reservations: 703-448-1234; 1-800-325-3535

**Registration for Symposium postmarked after Sept 4**<sup>th</sup> will incur a late fee per item used. For registration after Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> please contact registrar for space availability.

<u>For Registration Forms and questions</u> contact Ross Hotchkiss <u>hotchkss@aol.com</u> 804-740-3408; or Glenna Graves <u>glennamgraves@comcast.net</u> 540-434-8587

## The Mid-Atlantic Regional Annual Meeting of the ADS

It will be held jointly with the Virginia Daffodil Society at their annual meeting on **Saturday, October 9, 2010** at the **Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden**. The meeting will begin at 10 AM with coffee and pastries available at 9 AM for early arrivals and those who wish to get together prior to the meeting.

The featured speaker at this meeting will be Gloucester's **Brent Heath** from Brent and Becky's Bulbs who will give a most interesting and lively power point presentation called "Stalking and Chasing the Wild Daffodils in France and Spain".

The Virginia Daffodil Society will conduct a very short business meeting that will include election of officers for the coming two years. Following Brent Heath's presentation Mary Koonce will once again conduct the annual Chinese Raffle for some wonderful bulbs and other daffodil memorabilia, including a beautiful framed photograph that is being contributed by a VDS member. The annual bulb swap will take place that will ensure everyone will go home with some wonderful additions to their garden.

For this meeting on Saturday, October 9th, the **Westin Hotel, 6631 West Broad Street, Richmond,** has provided us with a **special \$89 double occupancy rate** please let them know you are with the **daffodil society**. This is a 4-Star hotel and reservations can be made directly with them at 888-627-7786.

#### REGISTRATION FORM FOR BOX LUNCH

Box Lunch: Cost \$20.00 Box Lunch Choices (please put how many sandwiches desired next to order):
Roast Beef & Swiss Chicken Salad on Croissant Vegetable Wrap
Name
Address
Telephone Number
Total Number of People Staying for Lunch
Please enclose your check, made payable to Virginia Daffodil Society, and send with form to:
Kim Sadler
416 Poplar Hill Court, Richmond, VA 23229

**PLEASE RETURN BY OCTOBER 1, 2010** 

Telephone: 804-282-5262

## Mid Atlantic Regional Election 2010

Glenna Graves, ADS National Nominating Committee

Each year we are asked to provide a slate and vote for the officers of the M/A Region for the following year. It is important that we strive for representation of the entire M/A Region area for our board representatives.

The nominating committee presents the following slate for the Mid Atlantic Region for the year – 2011-2012 Vice President -Lissa Williamson (MD) (year 3 of three year term) (year 3 of three year term) Director Ross Hotchkiss (VA) Director Kate Carney (year 2 of three year term) (MD) (year 1 of three year term) Director Cecilia Brown (VA) Nominating Committee Mary Semrad (DC) (year 1 of two year term) Lissa, Ross, and Kate have agreed to serve another year in their positions. Karen Cogar rotates off the board at the Spring Annual Meeting 2011. Ceci Brown has agreed to have her name submitted to the slate as Director. Also nominated for the ADS National Nominating Committee representative is Mary Semrad, from the WDS, replacing Glena Graves for a two year term. Cecilia Brown is from Gloucester, VA, that well known daffodil world of Brent and Becky's Bulbs. Ceci has had a great mentor, her Mother Elizabeth Brown, all her life. They do know their daffodils! Surprising to me Ceci's first inclination to showing daffodils was in the flower arranging division. As a member of the Garden Club of Virginia, she served as daffodil horticulture chairman for around 20 years. She learned her bulb/ blooms well as at various shows Ceci is the one we turn-to to "name that bloom!" She has also been very involved in mentoring to the youth program. Computer knowledge is almost an essential now days and here again Ceci stands out. She has created a 'blog' for her garden club as well as assists with their web page and has printed their show schedule. She has attended many conventions across the US, regional and local shows and meetings and has presented programs to clubs in her area. Please be considering other candidates for the year 2011-2012. There are many dedicated daffodil people in your neighborhood that could offer expertise and vigor to our association. Additional nominations may be made for the slate, but permission of the nominee must first be granted. The vote will take place at the M/A meeting on October 9<sup>th</sup> at Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden. New candidates take office at the April ADS Convention 2011. Member ballots must be completed and reported to ADS Nominating Chair by October 7, 2010. BALLOT FOR THE ADS MID-ATLANTIC REGION Please mark and mail your ballot to Glenna Graves, 2621 Smithland Road, Harrisonburg, VA 22802 or glennamgraves@comcast.net 3<sup>rd</sup> term Lissa Williamson, VP 3<sup>nd</sup> term \_\_\_\_Ross Hotchkiss, Director 2<sup>nd</sup> term \_Kate Carney, Director Cecilia Brown Director FIRST term

ADS National Nominating Committee FIRST term of a two year term.

\_Mary Semrad

#### Mid Atlantic Region Leadership and Service Award:

In the early 1990 an award was established for a deserving person(s) in our Region that had gone above and beyond just planting and showing daffodils. This person would have encouraged others within their communities about daffodils, pulled together friends to get shows started in their area, given talks and programs, demonstrations, served as officers, attended conventions, became judges and instructors, but above all continued to love and promote the daffodil for what it is....a simple flower that symbolizes hope, brings enjoyment to so many and promotes many lasting friendships for those that meet whether at shows or in private gardens. The goal of the ADS is to stimulate and encourage wide interest in the daffodil through education, exhibition, and dissemination of information. I think you will agree that all of those winners listed below have been very deserving of this award and the silver medal that it symbolizes.

Please be thinking of a deserving individual in your area to place in nomination for this deserving award in 2010...we have many! At any time send your recommendation to our VP-Lissa Williamson - along with a paragraph or two of their accomplishments.

- 1993 Mrs. Merton S. Yerger and Mr. Quentin E. Erlandson
- 1994 Ms. Delia Bankhead
- 1995 Mrs. Thomas W. Smith
- 1996 Mrs. Laura Lee and Mr. Bill Ticknor
- 1997 Ms. Anne Donnell Smith
- 1999 Mr. and Mrs. George Bragdon
- 2000 Mrs. Ann Corson
- 2001 Mrs. Mary Koonce
- 2002 Mrs. Kathy Welsh
- 2004 Mrs. Marie Coulter
- 2005 Mr. and Mrs. Skip Ford
- 2006 Mr. and Mrs. Sam Nock

#### 2010 Mid-Atlantic News

This past June 12th, Ginger Wallach graciously hosted the WDS summer picnic at October Farm, in Middleburg, Virginia. The MDS and Tuscarora Clubs were invited too. It was a lovely day to enjoy her beautiful farm and a number of our accomplished growers offered advice on how to dig, dry and store daffodils just as it was time for lifting them from the ground. There was also a plant exchange and pot luck lunch. Besides many fine growers we have many great cooks! Our thanks to Ginger and Richard for being such fine hosts!

The next day was the VDS summer picnic at the home of Brent and Becky Heath. And rather their gardens filled with daffodils and companion bulbs, Becky shows her artistry to also include lilies and summer flowering bulbs. It was well attended with 30 plus members enjoying their beautiful place.

We lost a show this year to Mother Nature as the WDS Late show was cancelled by Chriss Rainey for lack of flowers due to the early onslaught of heat. But we can only hope that next year will be better as Chriss plans to continue that show in Reston, VA.

Mary Koonce with The Shenandoah-Potomac District of WV held a show April 7-8 after many years in Charles Town, WV which was well attended and though during the week it coincided with Spring Break and had several Youth entries.

Marjorie Schiebel and Mary Ellen Bay with District V of the Federated Garden Clubs of MD held their FIRST ever show in Mt. Airy, MD. There were lots of beautiful arrangements and 535 daffodil entries.

Longwood Gardens, in Kennett Square, Pennsylvania, has launched its Plant Explorer website. Plant Explorer allows you to look up any plant by name and provides unprecedented access to Longwood's plant records, plant images, garden information and interactive maps. You can access Plant Explorer at <a href="http://plantexplorer.longwoodgardens.org/">http://plantexplorer.longwoodgardens.org/</a>