

**AMERICAN DAFFODIL SOCIETY
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ADS Fall Board Meeting

The American Daffodil Society Fall Board Meeting and Symposium, "Daffodils: a Trail Through History," will be held in Atlanta, Georgia, September 23-24, 2011. All ADS members are encouraged to attend! Of special interest will be the Symposium on Historic Daffodils. The Southern Region's very own Celia Jones will be Saturday's dinner "Entertainer" with a special video presentation. For more information about the meeting, visit: <http://daffodilusa.org/2011FallBoard/index.html>
Or click [here](#).

Upcoming Shows and Schools in Our Region

March 9-10, 2012: Dallas, TX - concurrent with ADS Judge School I
March 17-18, 2012: Jackson, MS
March 17-18, W. Memphis, TN
March 24-25, 2012: Conway, AR



50 Years of Daffodils in Arkansas!

The Arkansas Daffodil Society is celebrating their 50-year anniversary in 2012 with a regional show. Lets support our friends in Arkansas, and celebrate by attending their show, which is scheduled for March 23-25, 2012 in Conway at the Faulkner County Library. For info, contact Char Roush: cmroush@windstream.net



ADS Convention 2012

Plan to attend the 2012 ADS Convention! 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: Julesmin@gmail.com, or show co-chairs Joan Bender: joanbender@comcast.net and Nicki Schwab: mako0261mom@aol.com. Hope to see you there!



A Love of Historics

Recently, I had the opportunity to talk with **Margaret Nichols** about her love of daffodils. Margaret lives on a farm in Olive Branch, MS and has been an ADS Life member since 1974. Margaret currently is an accredited ADS Judge, and belongs to the Central Mississippi, Arkansas, Florida, and Washington Daffodil Societies. She owes her love of daffodils to her grandmother who grew daffodils, and would let her look at them, but never pick them! Margaret specializes in Historics, and especially loves "[Daphne](#)," an all-white daffodil that dates back to before 1914. She saw Daphne at a Memphis show years ago and just had to have it. Margaret said that she learned a long time ago that all-white daffodils don't do well in the south, but she found that she could grow Daphne. Margaret plants her daffodils in rows using ProMix, then fertilizes in the fall with 5-10-10. I asked Margaret why she was so interested in Historics. She said, "I have always loved the older flowers, and didn't want to see the old-timey ones go away." Margaret is skeptical of the claims that newer varieties are bigger and better than Historics. "It just isn't necessarily true!" she said. If you ever get lucky enough to judge the Historic section of an ADS show with Margaret, get ready; she knows the names and dates of the daffodils, how they grow in different climates, and can spot when they are misnamed or placed in the wrong class. She is always fair and considerate with the entries; she always points out the attributes of the daffodils before finding fault with them. If you are ever at an ADS show with Margaret, and have any questions about Historics, ask her – I bet she can tell you all about them!

Beyond Our Region



Each spring, New Yorkers for Parks hosts the Daffodil Project Photo Contest to help document the nearly 4 million daffodils in bloom all over the city, thanks to the hard work of the volunteers of the Daffodil Project. The contest is open to all amateur photographers, gardeners, and New Yorkers who love their parks. This year the contest was a great success, with over 60 entries from around the five boroughs. All entries were posted on New Yorkers for Parks' Facebook page, where people were invited to vote on their favorite image. Those votes, along with content and artistic value, helped to decide the winners. To learn more click [here](#), or visit: <http://www.ny4p.org/>

Reminder about your ADS dues:

Effective JULY 1, 2009, 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 Atkins Ager, ADS Executive Director
P O Box 522, Hawkinsville, GA 31036-0522
jaydeeager@gmail.com

or you may renew online at the ADS web store: www.daffodilusastore.org

Join the ADS Facebook Group!



<http://www.facebook.com/pages/American-Daffodil-Society/245491186449>

(Click the “Like” button on the group to join)

Please welcome our new Southern Region Members: Dr. and Mrs. J. George and Mary Elizabeth Smith
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Newly Elected ADS Southern Region Officers

Congratulations to **Ann Hibbs** who was re-elected for her third year as Regional Vice-President, **Jack Hollister** who was elected as Regional Director for the ADS Southern Region, and **Mary Price** who was re-elected for her second year as ADS Nominations Committee Member.

ADS Officers

President: Kathy Welsh, Oakton, VA
Immediate Past Pres: George Dorner, Kildeer, IL
First V-P: Becky Fox Matthews, Brentwood, TN
Second V-P: Harold Koopowitz, Santa Ana, CA
Secretary: Sally Nash, Nantucket, MA
Treasurer: Rod Armstrong, Plano, TX
Executive Director: Jaydee Ager, Hawkinsville, GA



Regional Vice President

Ann Hibbs, 6534 Azalea Lane, Dallas, TX 75230, annieslp@yahoo.com, Term Exp. 2012

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Char Roush, 595 Grant 758, Sheridan, AR 72150, (870) 942-7957, cmroush@windstream.net, Term Exp. 2014
Jack Hollister – Southern Regional Director – Term: 2012-2015

Special Appointments

Editor, The Daffodil Journal: **Loyce McKenzie**, 249 Ingleside Drive, Madison, MS 39110
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Standing Committees

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National Nominating Committee (Southern Region):

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