

AMERICAN DAFFODIL SOCIETY

Midwest Region

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Dear A. D. S. Members:

Since our June letter went out, I have received three newsletters from other regions. All have listed winners of A. D. S. Awards. So here are ours:

- Winners in the O. A. G. C. Region #3 show, Vandalia, Ohio, April 22, 1969 --
- GOLD RIBBON: best standard bloom in show; Nazareth Mrs. Louis Kerth
 - PURPLE RIBBON: best collection of five standard varieties, one stem each:
Playboy, Green Island, Gold Crown, Arbar, and Mrs. O. Ronalds: Mrs. Neil Macneale
 - RED-WHITE-AND-BLUE RIBBON: best collection of five varieties of American breeding or origin; one stem each: Festivity, Foray, Aircastle, Snowgem, and Bushtit: Mrs. Macneale.
 - WHITE RIBBON: best three stems of one variety: Bushtit ... Mrs. Alfred Hanenkrat.
 - SILVER RIBBON: most blue ribbons: Mrs. Macneale
 - MINIATURE GOLD RIBBON: Best miniature in show: N. juncifolius.. Mrs. Henry Hobson, Jr.
 - LAVENDER RIBBON: best collection of five miniatures, one stem each: W.P. Milner, Mite, Pixie, N. juncifolius and N. triandrus albus: Mrs. Hobson.

- At the Midwest Regional Show in Cleveland, Ohio, April 26, 27, 1969:
- GOLD RIBBON: Kilworth ... Mrs. Harry Wilkie, Bellbrook, Ohio.
 - MINIATURE GOLD RIBBON: Snipe ... Wells Knierim, Cleveland, Ohio.
 - GREEN RIBBON: best collection of twelve standard varieties, one stem each:
... Larry Mains, Pittsburgh, Pa.
 - BRONZE RIBBON: best collection of twelve varieties, three stems each: Mr. Knierim.
 - WHITE RIBBON: best three stems of one variety: Mr. Knierim
 - ROBERTA WATROUS SILVER MEDAL: best collection of twelve varieties of miniature daffodils, one stem each: Miss Virginia Wolff, Scottsburg, Indiana.

Congratulations! to all the winners. A summary of A.D.S. Awards won in all regions and at convention show will appear in the "Journal" later this year.

Is your A.D.S. Membership up to date? In case you forgot to send your dues in, it is never too late. If you mail them to the executive secretary, George Lee, Jr., 89 Chichester Rd., New Canaan, Conn., 06840 (check made out to A.D.S.), you may still make the 1969 roster. If not, you can still make the list in 1970. Dues accepted at any time.

Reports from the two new local societies are very good. Mrs. Chas. Mootz of Clarksburg, Ohio, secretary of the Adena Society, reports 14 members to date. All are required to be members of A.D.S. as well. Good work! Mrs. Macneale, founder of the Southwestern Ohio Society, reports 40 members. Wonderful wonderful news!!

With good news there is always a certain amount of sad news: Harry Tuggle, First Vice-president of A.D.S. died June 19 of a coronary attack. Paul Karnath of Dayton, Ohio, charter member of A.D.S. died April 11, 1969. Our sincere sympathy goes out to the families of Mr. Tuggle and Mr. Karnath.

If anyone has a SURE-FIRE method of digging that will guarantee no cutting or scraping of an occasional daffodil bulb, please share the good news with us. Also, be sure not to let your bulbs lie in the hot sun when drying. You can replant bulbs immediately if you wish. N. poeticus (old pheasant's eye and relatives) and their progeny seem to like being put back in the ground with no drying out. I always WASH onion and potato bags (after removing the paper) with detergent and a good rinse and dry in the sun. Then put dry bulbs in them and hang in a cool airy place until planting time. Why wash the bags? I read somewhere that onion mosaic and daffodil mosaic are closely related. Some day I am going to find out for SURE. I may save myself a lot of work.

Many thanks to all who have written letters and notes. It is so much easier to work up enthusiasm for the job of R.V.P. with your help. We have two requests for Judging Schools. If you are interested, please drop me a line.

Our A.D.S. treasurer, Wells Knierim and his wife, Mary, or Cleveland are taking a trip to Australia and New Zealand. Since both places raise scads of daffodils, and fall is "bloom-time" down under, we hope they have a wonderful time and come back with lists of desirable new varieties, and a desire to share some of the excitement and experiences with us via the Newsletter. Have a good trip! And hurry back.

That's all until November.

Leonora C. Wilkie, Midwest Regional Vice president