

AMERICAN DAFFODIL SOCIETY, INC.
MIDWEST REGION

NEWSLETTER JULY 1972

Regional Vice President: Mrs. Verne Trueblood, R.R.#3, Box 187A, Scottsburg, In. 47170

Regional Directors:

(1973) Miss Virginia Wolff, 342 W. Owen, Scottsburg, In. 47170

(1974) Mrs. Leon Killigrew, 415 S. Wabash, Hobart, In. 46342

(1975) Mrs. Paul Gripshover, 2917 N. Star Rd., Columbus, Oh. 43221

Dear A.D.S. Members,

Welcome to our new members:

OHIO

Mrs. Loren Fogler

Mrs. Charles G. Lindeman

Mrs. Grover Ramsey

INDIANA

Mr. John R. Reed

Mrs. Clayton Freese

Dr. W.F. Fechtman

Mrs. Elizabeth Swearingen

Mrs. Lowell Todd

Mrs. Helen O. Jenkins

J. Adrian Bond -rejoined

WISCONSIN

Mrs. W.E. Redetzke

There are some other new members but the names have not reached me .

You are encouraged to join the State and local Societies. It is a great way to become acquainted with other "Daffodillers" in the area, exchange information pertinent to your area and in strength, help with the shows.

My excuse for not attending the Ohio shows - Family sickness and deaths. We had seven deaths during the spring flower season, and I missed much bloom.

Mrs. Capen does want the symposium ballot. Send it in today.

News from the Adena Society:

President - Mrs. Howard Junk

Sec. & Treas. Mrs. F.C. Simon, Courtland Drive,

Chillicothe, Oh. 45601

"Our problem is not so much a matter of the place of other shows because each show is important to its own area. It is a matter of obtaining a panel of experienced judges when dates conflict"

April 14, 1973 is the date they have for a show - tentatively.

They are interested in the Regional Show date and the Southwest Ohio D.S. show.

Does any group want to sponsor the Midwest Regional Show in 1973?

Please send the show dates to me for listing in another letter. There is nothing written down about this letter. I did receive news from two shows so you may note the winning varieties. The C.O.D.S. show had a Junior Division - 44 entries. This Junior Division needs to be included in every show. Encourage the young folks to become members in all the societies and share bulbs with them.

The Midwest Regional and Indiana Daffodil Society Show
The College Mall, Bloomington, Indiana.

Mrs. Murray Mckee, Chairman 732 daffodils 12 arrangements
Mrs. Elizabeth Swearingen (a new member) won ~~two~~ top awards. The Helen Link Award
for the best arrangement and the Gold Ribbon on SUN BIRD.
Mrs. Goethe Link won all the other ribbons listed.
Miniature Gold Ribbon- Mite
Silver Ribbon -27 blue Ribbons
White Ribbon- Bushtit
Lavender Ribbon- Snipe-Quince-rupicola-triandrus albus- Cyclatz
Red-White-Blue Ribbon- Chemawa- Abalone- Bushtit- Chevy Chase- Titmouse
Rose Ribbon----1962 seedling- Statue xZero
Miniature White Ribbon--Snipe
Miniature White Ribbon---6813 seedling- triandrusalbus x jonquilla

CENTRAL OHIO DAFFODIL SHOW

COLUMBUS, OH. April 28, 1972

"DISCOVER DAFFODILS"

Chairman-Mrs. Wm. Pardue and Mrs. James Liggett

456 daffodil entries

12 arrangements plus 3 invitationals

Gold Ribbon---Mrs. Paul Gripshover---Easter moon

Miniature Gold Ribbon---Wells Knierim---Snipe

Silver Ribbon---Wells Knierim--- 15 blue ribbons

White Ribbon---Wells Knierim---Golden Rapture

Lavender Ribbon---Mrs. Paul Gripshover---Quince-Clare- Sundial-Baby Star- Wee Bee

Purple Ribbon---Mrs. Paul Gripshover---Easter Moon-Glenleslie-Empress of Ireland

Purity- Homage

Red-White-Blue Ribbon-Mrs. Paul Gripshover-Audabon-Radiation- Festivity-

Propriety- Precedent

Junior Award---Greg Gripshover---Glenwherry

Green Ribbon---Mrs. Wm. Pardue--- Verona- Hotspur- Kingscourt-Easter Moon-

Viking-Rockall-Carnmoon- Limerick- Gay Record -

Preamble- Irish Charm- Carrickbeg

Roberta C. Watrous Silver Medal---Mrs. Paul Gripshover--- Baby Star- Segovia- Clare

Paula Cottell- Bebop- Minnow- rupicola-

Mite- Quince- Sundial- Wee Bee-triandrus

albus

Miniature

White Ribbon---Wells Knierim---Snipe

This list of Ribbons awarded is more complete than most of the exhibitors
expected because of the weather. The spring of 72 will be remembered as "TERRIBLE!"
Congratulations to all of the winners.

(Please see other side)

DAFFODIL DOINGS NOW THRU SEPTEMBER

September can become October but when I want to be sure that a bulb has the best chance to grow-Plant before October.

The NOW part:

Now is the time to dig. (a short word-a hard job)

Dig to check bulbs where growth was not normal.

Dig to divide clumps due to overcrowding.

Dig to relocate because other plants are crowding .

Dig to prepare the new planting areas.

Dig to get rid of whatever you have decided, "Out it goes!"

While resting from all the digging, decisions are made.

Decide if the bulbs are to be destroyed because of disease. If the bulbs are small and healthy, decide how to improve the growing conditions. Good drainage and soil improvement are bulb savers.

Decide where to put the surplus bulbs, can they be combined with the new ones, used for trade, donated to a community project or shared with others.

Decide if they are to be planted back in the ground or stored out of the ground until planting time. (I do both and do not know which is best-10 years experience)

Decide to check all the labels, make new ones and make notes in the records.

Decisions are made, digging is over, sooo-Worry a little. Why don't those orders come? How did that high nitrogen fertilizer get on the bulb beds? Why didn't I raise that bed where water stands? That is enough for me. You may worry more.

I do want to have the early digging for fall planting. I have more time to do what the place needs to become a good loam with drainage yet hold moisture. A good mixture can be dug together and allowed to settle. Small planting holes in hard soil just creates wells for water to stand. The moisture and the nutrients need to be below the bulb for the roots to use. You will have won half the battle for excellent bloom when you provide the best possible home for the bulb at planting time.

Now you know how much I know about daffodils. Some of you had better send some real information for this next letter. I hate to send blanks.

On the beds where I am not digging I have put some dieldrin granules where the goliage died down and covered with mulches. I used straw, compost, corncobs, leaves, grass and some are protected by other plants. They will get some plant food in early spring like days of winter and as blooms fade.

I just about left out that little gem of information.

Helen Trueblood