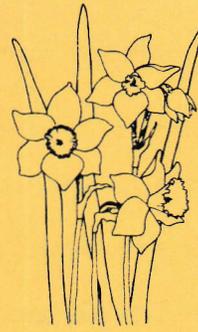


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1985 A D S CONVENTION NEWS

The plans for the National Convention and Daffodil Show in 1985 are surging ahead. The management of the Holiday Inn of Valley Forge in King of Prussia, Pennsylvania is most cooperative and the members of the Planning Committee are expecting it to be one of the best conventions ever.

It will offer something for everyone's interests. First, there will be the show. The dates of the Show, April 24-25, coincide with the prime growing season in many areas in the United States. We are hoping for a record turn-out in number of blooms. In every national show, there are wonderful exhibits by expert growers. That these growers are exhibiting should not discourage the small grower. In a national show, there are many more collections than one usually finds in a local or state show. The big growers will put their best effort into the more complicated collections. But there are the smaller collections of five, the vases of three, and the single entries. The second show in which I entered blooms was the 1976 national show in Philadelphia. The few second and third place ribbons my flowers won against stiff competition inspired me to try harder.

The symposiums will offer a variety of subjects: tissue culture, disease, judging, staging shows. After one dinner, we will hear a delightful and knowledgeable speaker. After another dinner, there will be an auction. We will have a day long tour to the noted local gardens. Commercial growers will have exhibits. The New Jersey Daffodil Society is planning a spectacular boutique of daffodil related items. Remember, there will be a Judges Refresher Course.

All of this is taking a great deal of thought and work. The local groups are quite small. When it is time for the convention, there will be even more work. There will be the show to 'put-up' and 'take-down'. There will be desks to be manned. There will be a million and one jobs, some of which no one could have possibly thought of. Any one who has ever worked on a convention show knows that it is fun to be on the 'inside'. If you are interested in lending a hand during the time of the convention, please contact the Convention Chairmen:

Mr. and Mrs. William R. Mackinney
535 Woodhaven Road
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We do hope a great many people from our region will be attending the convention, and entering the show. Watch for the December and March issues of the Journal for specific details.

DELAWARE BULB SALE

The Delaware Daffodil Society Bulb Sale will be held on Wednesday, September 26th, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 2201 Kentmere Parkway, Wilmington, DE. These are bulbs which have been dug from members' gardens. It is a wonderful opportunity to buy quality bulbs at reduced prices.

MIDDLE ATLANTIC REGIONAL MEETING

Our region is putting all its emphasis on the upcoming national convention. However, the Middle Atlantic Region will be having a regional meeting this fall and has extended an invitation to members of ADS in our region. The meeting will be held on Saturday, November 12th at the Holiday Inn in Annapolis, Maryland. What a lovely time of year to go to the Eastern Shore. For details, please contact the Middle Atlantic Regional Vice President:

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WE'LL SEE YOU AT THE 1985 CONVENTION !

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