CITATION FOR THE SILVER MEDAL

The ADS Silver Medal is awarded for "outstanding and distinguished service to the American Daffodil Society." Since 1962, eighteen Silver Medals have been awarded. This year's recipient is a quiet, gracious gentleman who received many nominations with high praise for his accomplishments and his service to the Society.

His individual achievements include serving as Regional Director, Director at Large, First Vice-President, and President of the ADS. He is currently serving as Chairman of the Breeding and Selection Committee, and also serves as Chairman of Hybridizers' Breakfast Forums.

This congenial gentleman of many talents gives graciously of his time. One nominating letter characterized him as "adviser, teacher, hybridizer, gentleman, and one who always has the best interests of the Society at heart."

He is a hybridizer of note, and a producer of excellent prize-winning cultivars. Two recent introductions are Pops Legacy and Coldbrook.

On behalf of the ADS it is an honor to present the Silver Medal for 1986 to Dr. William A. Bender.



Dr. Bender and Mrs. Link