

# **American Daffodil Society**

Northeast Regional Newsletter









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#### **News From**

### The Daffodil and Hosta Society of Western, PA.

The new president is Steve Hampson, RD 5 Box 236, Waynesburg, PA 15307, phone (412) 825-2259. Steve will also be doing their newsletter. Contact him with items of interest.

#### PROGRAM SCHEDULE

April 14 - Daffodil Grooming Program

April 27 - Annual Daffodil Show -- See Journal for details

June 8 - Hosta Show

August - Picnic

Sept. 8 - Meeting

Oct. 13 - Meeting

Nov. 10 - Program on New Zealand International Show

All meetings are held at the Northland Public Library
Perhaps some of the older and well established
daffodil societies would like to note that this
relatively new group has an activity almost every
month!!

#### GARDENS TO VISIT

Pauline Dickinson, 980 Leidig Dr., Chambersburg, PA 17201. Phone Pauline at 717-264-4322 to be sure someone will be home to give you the "Grand Tour", anytime during bloom season.

**Dr. William Bender, 553 So. 7th St, Chambersburg, PA, Sunday, April 21.** Dr. Bender and Richard Ezell will be on hand to show you some of the many newer un-named and un-introduced varieties that Dr. Bender has hybridized over the past several years. An "awesome" display, not to be missed.

For the past 5 years Bob and Dianne Mrak have held

open gardens at their home in Upper St. Clair, PA. This year the open garden date is Sunday, April 28 - 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Directions to 124 Fieldgate Drive, Upper St. Clair, PA 15241: Traveling West - from the Pennsylvania Turnpike follow I-70 West to Washington, PA Exit 7B. This will take you onto Route 19 North. Follow Rt. 19N for approximately 15 miles. On your left, there will be a fairly large church (the first and only one you will see at this point). At the next traffic light, turn left onto Fieldgate Drive. We are the second house on he right. (If you pass the South Hills Village Mall, you have gone too far!)

## 1996 ADS Convention and National Show

The 1996 ADS Convention and National Show will be hosted by the Maryland Daffodil Society in Baltimore, April 18 to 20. A great opportunity to exhibit in a national show.

#### REGIONAL DAFFODIL SHOWS

Plan to attend one or more of our 1996 shows. See you Journal for details.

One change that I am aware of is the change of location for the Chambersburg (PA) show. It will be held at the First Lutheran Church, 43 West Washington St., Chambersburg, NOT at the Chambersburg Mall as originally planned. Hours will be Sat. 2 - 9, Sun. 12 - 6. Exhibitor staging times will be Friday evening 6 - 9 and Saturday starting at 7 a.m.

Members of the Tuscarora Daffodil Group will be on hand to help new exhibitors with their entries. Plan to come early on Friday evening, the T.D.G. will provide a buffet.

Other shows out of our region, but will worth attending:

April 13 - 14, Washington, D.C. -- Washington Daffodil Society

Location: National Wildlife Federation, Vienna, VA Contact: Mrs. Stafford Koonce, P.O. Box 45, Halltown, WV 25423

April 24 - 25, New England Regional Show, Greenwich, CT

Location: Christ Church Parish Hall, Greenwich, CT Contact: Mrs. Nancy Mott. 38 Perkins Rd., Greenwich, Ct 06830

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#### DELAWARE VALLEY DAFFODIL SOCIETY

We held our annual luncheon in January with an exhilarating talk by Kathy Anderson about some of her travels abroad. It made us all want to go exploring! Saturday, March 23 we will meet with the program being a panel discussion: SPECIAL TIPS FOR GROWING AND SHOWING DAFFODILS. given by our top growers and exhibitors in the area. Questions and Guests most welcome. Bring any problem bulbs or blossoms you might have. The meeting starts at 2:00 at the home of Molly Wiley (Phone 610-388-7590) near Chadds Ford. Please call her if you can come and she will give you directions. Refreshments follow the meeting.

We will also be putting on the annual Daffodil Show at Longwood Gardens Tuesday and Wednesday, April 23 and 24. We encourage everyone to come to this spectacular show. That same week the Chester County Flower Show will be held and we will have a booth with fine examples of blooms.

Course 3 of the Judges' School will be held April 24 at Longwood Gardens. Please contact Kathy Anderson (302) 478-3115 if you would like to attend.

We also plan to participate in the new Chester County Flower Show and to have an excursion to Mueller's Bulb Farm. Guests from other areas are always welcome to come join us.

With quite a few fine new members we look forward to an exciting colorful growing season.

Elsie Payne

#### Fifth World Daffodil Convention

Here is an opportunity to see some of the great "Down Under" daffodils. The convention will be held September 27-29 in Christ Church, New Zealand. Daffodil Show, visits to New Zealand growers and more. Send SASE for brochure.

## EILEEN WHITNEY REPORTS NEWS FROM THE NEW YORK AREA:

- 1. Attended the steering committee meeting in Stockbridge, MA that Nancy Mott initiated last October. The committee began planning a joint five state show beginning in 1997 with the first event at the Berkshire Botanical Gardens. It is hoped the show will draw from the Hudson Valley area of New York and the western parts of New England. Currently the show is planned to rotate over the course of three or four years between sites in the Albany-lower Hudson Valley and western and central MA. The next committee meeting is scheduled for late March.
- 2. I sent a flyer to a number of NY ADS members last September/October with a post card asking if they were interested in a NY group and would they be willing to support such an effort. Received about half of the cards back with positive replies and a couple that indicated they were not interested. Because the area is so scattered eastern Long Island up through Albany it would be hard to get people together for a meeting although I am willing to try for one in this area. I think I can muster interest in about half a dozen souls (sort of a grass roots group). A mailing with NY news might also be considered.
- 3. Shelter Island show is moving ahead. I see they are listed in the show schedule in the latest journal. Was asked to help judge and am looking forward to attending the show.

Duane Reid is organizing a group whose planning name is the Upstate Flowering Bulb Association. The group is meant to promote education, exhibition/judging, and awareness of flowering bulbs including daffodils. At this time, a survey form is available to interested parties in the upstate NY area (Buffalo to Syracuse). From the completed interest surveys, our group's "Charter" will emerge. I hope that this will serve, among other objectives, as a local society for ADS members.

Any interested party can request information by sending a STAMPED, SELF-ADDRESSED business envelope to:

Upstate Flowering Bulb Assoc. c/o P.O. Box 90475 Rochester, NY 14609-0475

TUSCORORA DAFFODIL GROUP to meet Sunday, May 5th, with a "Late Bloomers" Show. All members, guests and friends are asked to bring blooms for consideration for a number of awards. Containers and greens will be provided or you may pre-stage at home (recommended if you have a large number of blooms.

A quick review of our Spring Show will be held as well as election of officers for the coming term.

Our Spring meeting will be held at the home of Richard and Johanna Ezell, 94 Willowbrook Dr., Chambersburg. Meeting time is 2 p.m. Guests are always welcome. Phone if you need directions - 264-2269.

### American Daffodil Society, Inc.

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Individual, year, \$20		Individual, three years, \$50	Individual, Life, \$500
Family, year, \$25		Family, three years, \$60	Garden Club, year, \$20
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