



# The Indiana Ledger

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## From the Garden of the President



Greetings Daffodilians!

What a year! The joint IDS - KDS picnic at Helen Trueblood's was absolutely wonderful! Helen's daylily beds were lush with bloom, including one named Helen Trueblood, and her perennial garden, the garden layout, the house....everything was just perfect. I wish I had half her energy! Thank you, Helen for the hospitality and all the effort you put into hosting one of our events. Baby, you're the greatest!

Next came the sales, or more precisely stated, for me next came *worrying* about the sales; worrying about the change of venue and how it would affect our bottom line. Somehow a new building in the back of Holliday Park doesn't sound too promising a venue for generating big sales dollars, but I think we had the biggest bulb sale (in conjunction with the Iris Sale) that we've ever had.

Heartfelt thanks go to Helen Link, whose daffodil beds we raided and whose bulbs we hawked. Helen's generous and unflagging support allows us a range of freedom in the IDS second to none in the country, but I think it does not bode well for our future that such a high percentage of our revenue ultimately comes from a single source. A challenge for us all to think about resolving.

Of course, bulbs would still be in the ground if it weren't for the efforts of the diggers. There were three digging parties this year, some on late notice to take advantage of cool-weather forecasts. Joe Hamm is the unquestioned leader of the efforts as his job starts at bloom time when he ascertains the varieties that need to be dug on a spot basis. He worked all three digs, too, so his leadership isn't limited to planning! Thanks also to Sara Kinne, our 'Digging Darling', often being the first one to arrive and the last one to leave!

July held only one bagging party. The bagging parties represent an opportunity to those lacking the stamina for a dig, and I was happy so many people came to Joe Hamm's to assist the effort. A number of people took bags of bulbs home to bag, too, so it worked out well.

Photographer Debbie Ashby told us about how to better photograph our daffodils, and flowers in general, at the August meeting and had us agog at her toys. I was smiling the whole presentation thinking about how each of us spends our money on what's important to us. She flipped out her photographer's toys, showing us one-by-one how each toy could give us better photos, but when she told us the price of each item, all I could think was the daffodil bulbs I could buy for the same money!

Hope to see you all in October!

*Suzy Wert*

## Y2K Daffodil Calendar

October 7, 2000, Saturday  
IDS Meeting 1:00 Nora Library  
Club Bulb Distribution, Appreciation Award Bulbs, and  
Bulb/Plant Exchange. Program: Forcing Bulbs with  
Peggy MacNeale. See article: *October 7<sup>th</sup> Meeting*.

## 2001 Show Dates

ADS NATIONAL SHOW April 5-7 Louisville, Kentucky  
April 11-12 - Scottsburg Show, Leota Barn  
April 17 - Set-up Indianapolis Show  
April 18-19 - IDS Show (55th & Meridian)  
April 17 and 18 Adena (Chillicothe)  
April 21 and 22 NODS (Akron)  
April 21 and 22 - CODS in Columbus

## 2001 Convention in Louisville

Make plans now to join with our sister-society, KDS, in  
Louisville for the ADS Convention April 5-7, 2001.

Information on registration and hotel prices will come  
out in a special Ledger issue next January, also outlining  
IDS and ADS attendance scholarship policies for new  
attendees which help defray the cost somewhat.

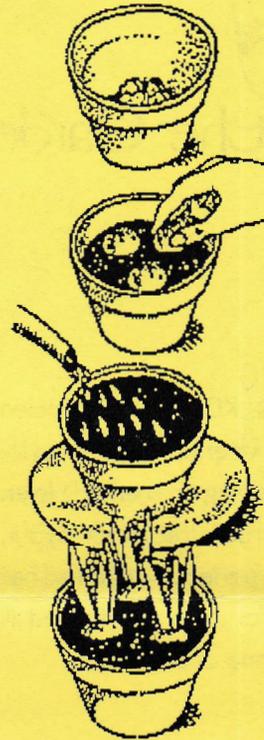
## Bulb & Plant Exchange

The October meeting is famous for being our best  
meeting because of the bulb & plant exchange. Let's just  
say it's an event not to miss!

New members: Bring anything garden-related, it doesn't  
have to be bulbs or plants!

## October 7<sup>th</sup> Meeting

(Bring money!)



**The biggest news is the  
Potting Party with  
Peggy MacNeale which  
will be held before the  
meeting at 12:00 noon.**

Peggy is a master of bulb  
forcing and has written many  
articles on the subject for the  
Daffodil Journal. This hands-  
on activity is the first of its  
kind in recent history. Cost  
is only \$5.00 which includes  
everything you need to take  
home a ready-to-root pot of  
daffodils. We bought some  
extra bulbs and pots, so if  
you forgot to sign up, please  
come at noon and we'll get  
you all squared away.

- Old House Garden Tee-shirts for sale \$12.00.....  
Reg price is \$14.00 plus shipping..... So it is a savings  
of \$4.50....
- Watercolor Daffodil Tee Shirts for sale, too. Many  
people have been asking about these, they're the ones  
with the five daffodils across the front. Several styles  
available. \$12.00-16.00.
- Club Bulb - 'Reggae', 6W-GPP, will be distributed to  
all members attending the October meeting. You must  
pick up your bulb of 'Reggae', or make arrangements for  
someone to pick up the bulb for you.
- Extra bulbs of 'Reggae' will be sold at the October 7  
meeting. When they're gone, they're gone.



Front Row: Joyce Wozniak, Birthday Girl, Helen Link, Joe Hamm. Second Row: Barbara Sinderson, David Sinderson, Suzy Wert

## SURPRISE! SURPRISE! SURPRISE!

The birthday celebration for Helen Link was a success. Helen enjoyed the cards, the great food, the cake with daffodils, and the fellowship. Those in attendance at the Link Observatory were Barb & David Sinderson, Suzy Wert, Joe Hamm, Libby Frey, Sara Kinne, Sherry Holiday, Joyce Wozniak, Dan & Cindy Grasse and Dr. & Mrs. Schnute (from garden club). Helen's only concern was the number of candles lacking, but we know it is only polite to err on the short side!

## IDS Miscellany Dues Due

Your 2001 dues (\$5.00 individual and \$10.00 family) are due at the October meeting. Please put them in an envelope to Joyce Wozniak and mark them with your name and the words "2001 IDS dues" so she can take them home and make the receipts out at her leisure. If you have changes in your yearbook information, slip the

note inside the envelope. Or mail your dues directly to: Joyce Wozniak, 491 Haldale Dr., Carmel, IN 46032

In accord with the objectives of the Indiana Daffodil Society, we have successfully produced a Daffodil Show and donated bulbs to Whitehall for the 2001 convention. We also donated bulbs to the following: Blind School, School 91, Elise Carter Place & Holliday Park - all at no expense to the Society treasury. We have worked with our sister groups the Indiana Daffodil Growers South and the Kentucky Daffodil Society, plus run our booth at Orchard in Bloom and the juniors manned the American Cancer Society booth at the Flower & Patio Show!

## Thank you! Thank you!

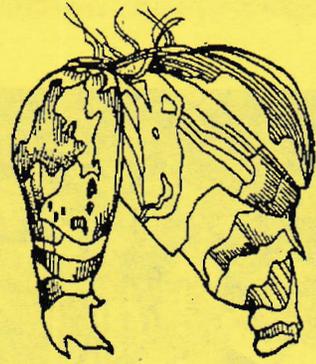
Space in this issue of the Ledger is severely limited, but there are so many members to thank! Therefore, the October 7<sup>th</sup> meeting will be heavy on thank yous with a rather long awards ceremony featuring the Special Bulbs for Special People. The bulbs this year are mostly from Brian Duncan - they are huge! You'll kick yourselves for not volunteering for something when you see what we're giving out! Luckily there is always next year!

## Running Out of Space ?

By Kathy Welsh, Oakton, VA

When I lived in California I had virtually no space at all to grow my daffies. I cut the bottom off of large plastic pots and used them to separate my different varieties. I used smaller pots when I only had 2 or 3 of one kind. The 8-10" height of the black plastic made it virtually impossible for the bulbs to travel so I could butt them right up to one another. When I used the bottomless plastic pots, digging was a snap. I could put the end of my shovel under the edge of the pot and feel assured that I had all the bulbs in only a minute.

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Next Meeting Saturday, October 7th at 1:00 Nora Library

But, if you want to join the Potting Party with Peggy MacNeale, and take home a great pot of ready-to-root flowers, come at 12:00 noon.

Bring a satchel, dues money, other money, exchange items

See you there!