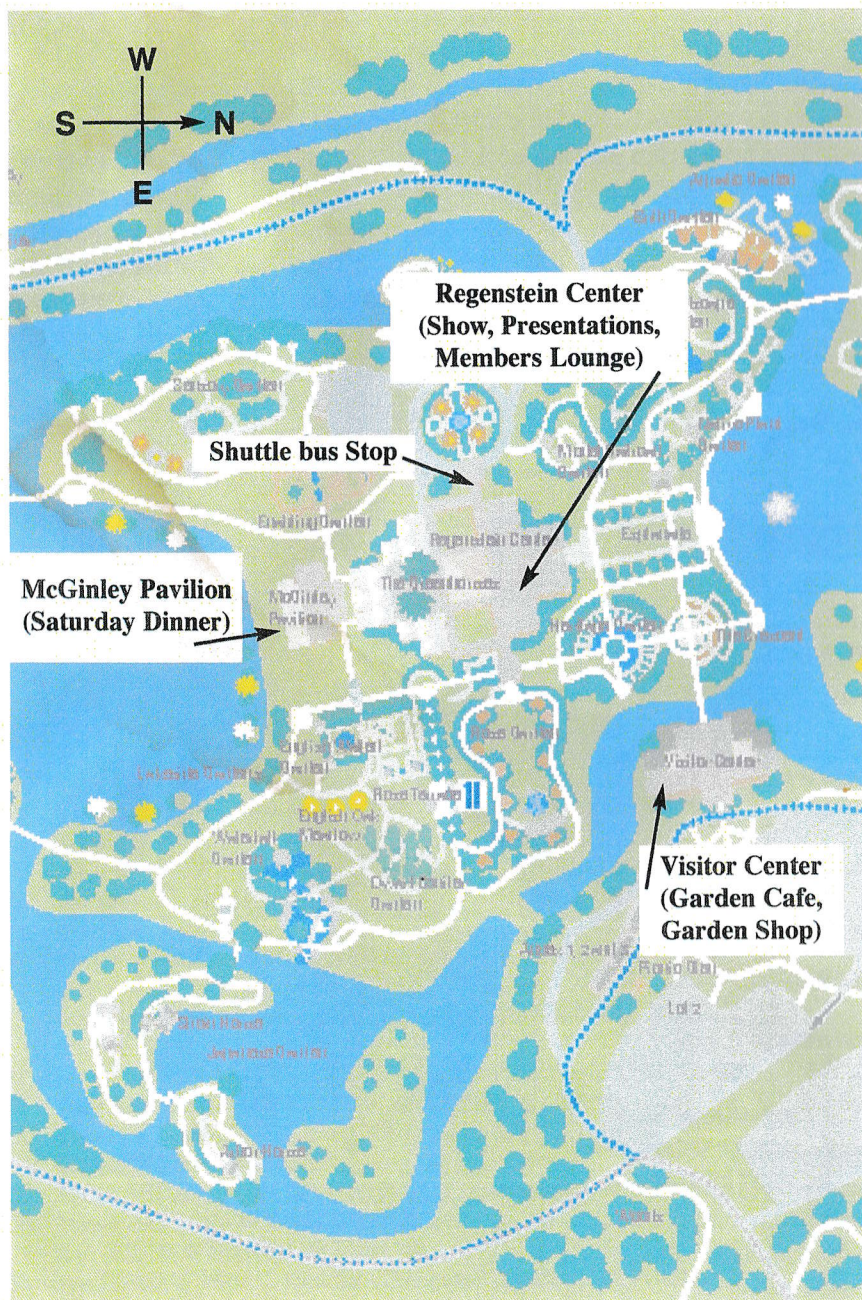


Chicago Botanic Garden



American Daffodil Society 2009 National Convention



Chicago Botanic Garden
Glencoe, Illinois
and
Renaissance Chicago North Shore Hotel
Northbrook, Illinois

April 25-27, 2009



American Daffodil Society

Welcome to the 55th Convention of the American Daffodil Society.

Thanks to the joint support of our committee for a successful 2009 Convention. It has been a real delight working with all the following people for these past eighteen months. All of our committee members have contributed a great deal and I have particularly enjoyed working closely with, and getting to know Mary and George Dorner, Stephanie Lindemann of the Chicago Botanic Garden and (although they are not committee members) Sylvia Ortiz and Renee Labay of the Renaissance Hotel who have been immeasurably helpful.

The convention gives us an opportunity to get us together to celebrate our great love of the Daffodil. Hope you enjoy!

Next year in California!

Jill Griesse
2009 Convention Chairman

National Show chairmen	Betty Kealiher and Lynn Ladd
Design show chairmen	Patricia and William Hessel
Photography show chairman	Robert Darling
Awards	Chriss Rainey
Registrar/treasurer	Mary Dorner
Hospitality	Alan Champ
Poster presentations	Carol Champ
Shuttle bus captain	William Dorner
Oakwood Daffodils trip	Michael Berrigan
Botanic Garden liaison	Stephanie Lindemann
Bulb auction	Kathy Welsh
Webmaster	George Dorner
Table decorations	Donna Dietsch

Schedule of Events

Friday, April 24

9:30 am–10 pm	Convention registration	Hotel lobby
10 am–4 pm	Judging school I (Separate registration and fee)	Hotel/Skokie
noon–10 pm	Shuttle bus operates	Hotel and CBG
noon–midnight	Horticulture entries received Staging Standards Intermediates/miniatures	CBG/Regenstein Ctr. Greenhouse Galleries Nichols Hall Joutras Gallery
noon–8 pm	Photography entries received	CBG/Regenstein Ctr. Bridge Gallery
2–8 pm	Floral design entries received	CBG/Regenstein Ctr Burnstein Hall
5 pm	First-time attendees welcomed by ADS Executive Director Jaydee Ager	Hotel/Presidential Suite

Please note: staging for the horticulture division of the show starts at noon on Friday and continues until 7:30 a.m. on Saturday.

Shuttle buses will run between the hotel and the Garden from noon until 10 p.m. on Friday and starting at 6 a.m. on Saturday. Between 10 p.m. Friday and 6 a.m. Saturday, transportation is by private vehicle only. If you are driving between those hours, please offer to share.

Here's a cell phone number to call in an emergency: 847-219-2131.

Saturday, April 25

12 am–7:30 am	Horticulture entries received	CBG/Regenstein Ctr.
6 am–10 pm	Shuttle bus operates	Hotel and CBG
6–10:30 am	Floral design entries received	CBG/Regenstein Ctr Burnstein Hall
7:30–8:30 am	Continental breakfast For those NOT judging/clerking	Hotel/Northfield AB
7:30–8:45 am	Judges/clerks continental breakfast and briefing	CBG/Fairchild Room
7:30 am	Horticulture entries close	CBG
8 am–12 pm	Registration	Hotel lobby
10 am	Members Lounge opens	CBG/Fairchild Room
10 am	Escorted walking tour	CBG/Fairchild Room
12 pm–5 pm	Show open	CBG
time flexible	Lunch	Hotel or CBG
1 pm	Escorted walking tour	CBG/Fairchild Room
2–2:45 pm	“Daffodils in Art” Carol Salome	CBG/Alsdorf Auditorium
3–3:45 pm	“Green Gardening” Trudi Temple	CBG/Alsdorf Auditorium
4:30–6 pm	Outgoing board meeting	Hotel/Northfield AB
6:30 pm	Social hour/cash bar Barbershop Quartet: Take Note!	CBG/ McGinley Pavilion
7:30 pm	Banquet and Annual Meeting	

Sunday, April 26

8–9 am	Historics Breakfast (separate registration and fee)	Hotel/Greenery
8–9 am	Intermediates Breakfast (separate registration and fee)	Hotel/Northfield AB
8:30 am–5 pm	Shuttle bus operates	Hotel and CBG
9:30 –10:15 am	“Before & After the Photo: how to get your best digital daffodil picture,” Tom Stettner	CBG/Alsdorf Auditorium
10 am–5 pm	Show open	
11–11:45 am	“A Host of Golden Daffodils: selections from the rare book collection,” Leora Seigel	CBG/Lenhardt Library
time flexible	Lunch	Hotel or CBG
1–1:45 pm	“Growing \$50 Bulbs in 50 Cent Soil,” Keith Kridler	CBG/Alsdorf Auditorium
2 pm	Escorted walking tour	CBF/Fairchild Rm.
2 pm	“A Host of Golden Daffodils: selections from the rare book collection,” (encore presentation)	CBG/Lenhardt Library
3:45–5 pm	Incoming board meeting	Hotel/Northfield AB
5–7:15 pm	ADS live auction/cash bar	Hotel/Winnetka
6:30–7:30 pm	Social hour/cash bar	Hotel/Winnetka
7:30 pm	Banquet “A Year at Ringhaddy” Nial Watson	Hotel/Northbrook

Logistical Details

Lunch vouchers

Two lunch vouchers are included in your registration packet. They may be used Saturday and Sunday at either the Garden Cafe at the Chicago Botanic Garden or Rooks Corner Restaurant at the hotel. The maximum value of each voucher is \$15. Eat up! No change will be given. You are encouraged to share a table with first-time attendees, whose convention badges have green lettering.

Special meals

If you have ordered special dinners, please notify your server.

Taking the shuttle bus between the hotel and the Regenstein Center of the Garden

The shuttle bus is scheduled to run every 10 to 20 minutes between the hotel and the Garden during the following hours:

Friday	noon-10 pm
Saturday	6 am to 11 pm
Sunday	8:30 am to 5 pm

Shuttle bus stops are in the front of the hotel and at the west exit of the Regenstein Center at the Garden. The shuttle bus trip will be between 5 and 10 minutes.

Driving between the hotel and the Garden

1. Turn right out of the hotel parking lot onto Skokie Boulevard.
Drive 1.3 miles.
 2. Turn right at the light onto Lake Cook Road. Drive .9 miles.
 3. Turn right at the light into the Chicago Botanic Garden.
- Optimal time: 4 minutes Estimated distance: 2.2 miles

Show your convention badge at the guard station and the parking fee will be waived. Enter the Garden through the Visitor Center and proceed to the Regenstein Center.

Tours and Activities

The **Chicago Botanic Garden**, has gone all-out to host our annual convention. Use the "Map and Garden Guide 2009" in your registration packet to plan your visit to the Garden's many attractions.

First-time attendees are invited to meet with Convention Chairman Jill Griesse and Paul Griesse, ADS Executive Director Jaydee Ager, and volunteer mentors at 5 p.m. Friday in the Presidential Suite of the hotel. Meet experienced conventioners and get an overview of what to expect.

Be sure to visit the **ADS Member Lounge**, located in the Fairchild Room of the Regenstein Center at the Garden. Visit with other conventioners and take some time to view informative posters contributed by fellow members. You are encouraged to greet first-time attendees, whose convention badges have green lettering.

You will want to hear all of the **presentations**, which are scheduled for 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. on Saturday and 9:30 a.m., 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Sunday at the Regenstein Center. See pages 8 and 9 for details.

CBG volunteers will lead **escorted walking tours** of Evening Island at 10 a.m. Saturday and of the Bulb Garden at 1 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday. Meet the volunteers in the Member Lounge/Fairchild Room of the Regenstein Center.

Another way to tour the CBG is by tram. Your registration packet contains two vouchers for free **tram tours**. The Grand Tram Tour covers the perimeter of the Garden, providing an overview of all areas. The Bright Encounters Tour offers a close look at the Gardens on the main island. Each tour lasts about 35 minutes. You must redeem the vouchers at the ticket booth located outside the Visitor Center to reserve your tours. Do this well in advance of the time you'd like to take the tour.

Kathy Welsh has acquired a selection of bulbs for the **bulb auction** scheduled for 5 p.m. Sunday in the Winnetka Room of the hotel. Come join the fun and get some fantastic new bulbs. Or just watch the spirited competition!

Find time to stop by **The Garden Shop** located in the CBG Visitor Center. You'll find many books and other items of interest to gardeners.

Convention Presenters

Saturday, April 25

Carole Salome: "Daffodils in Art," 2 p.m., Saturday, Alsdorf Auditorium, Regenstein Center, CBG

Carole will discuss the history of daffodils starting in 300 BC and continuing through the Golden Age to the present time. Illustrations, paintings and quotations of the artists and writers who documented these captivating flowers will be included in the lecture. Carol has been an artist for many years. She has donated one of her daffodil paintings to be auctioned off for the benefit of the American Daffodil Society.

Trudi Temple, "Green Gardening," 3 p.m., Saturday, Alsdorf Auditorium, Regenstein Center, CBG

Trudi is an extraordinary gardener who transformed an ordinary one-acre yard into a show garden that attracts hundreds of visitors each year. She is also the founder of Market Day, the original fundraising corporation that provides a minimum of ten percent of all sales to participating schools, churches and other non-profit organizations. Since 1975, Market Day has raised more than 330 million dollars for education. Her book, **Trudi's Garden**, which will be available for purchase, won First Place in the Art/Photo/Coffee Table category at the Midwest Independent Publishers Association 2005 Midwest Book Awards. See trudisgarden.com

Take Note! Barbershop Quartet, 6:30 p.m., Saturday, McGinley Pavilion, CBG

Take Note! is the top-ranking senior barbershop quartet in Illinois. Each member of the quartet has 30 or more years of experience singing barbershop harmony. In January, they finished third at the Barbershop Harmony Society's nationwide senior quartet contest. Members are tenor Steve Coon; lead Ralph Brooks; baritone Dick Kingdon; and bass Ed Chapman.

Convention Presenters

Sunday, April 26

Tom Stettner, "Before & After the Photo: how to get your best digital daffodil picture," 9:30 a.m., Sunday, Alsdorf Auditorium, Regenstein Center, CBG

Tom is well-known as a prolific producer of excellent daffodil photos, especially those captured at shows in the Midwest. He will speak about camera settings before the shot, tips on where to stand, how to shoot collections, and maintaining focus down to the tiniest of the micro miniatures. He will share lots of examples displaying his concepts and practices.

"A Host of Golden Daffodils: selections from the rare book collection," Leora Seigel, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m., Sunday, Lenhardt Library, Regenstein Center, CBG

Leora is the manager of the Lenhardt Library of the Chicago Botanic Garden. She holds an M.S. in library and information science and an M.S. in natural resources and environmental sciences, both from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Note: the 11 a.m. presentation is especially for ADS members. The 2 p.m. presentation is open to the public.

"Growing \$50 Bulbs in 50 Cent Soil," Keith Kridler, 1 p.m., Sunday, Alsdorf Auditorium, Regenstein Center, CBG

Keith and Sandy Kridler bought a 20 acre badly eroded, worn out, diseased soil, cotton farm in the 1980's BEFORE they got interested in daffodils. Twenty five years later they are growing around 1,000 named cultivars and are able to sell some varieties commercially in spite of weather, bad soil, weeds and the various diseases all plants endure. Keith will share what he has learned from killing more daffodils than most people will ever grow.

Nial Watson, "A Year at Ringhaddy," 7:30 p.m., Sunday, Hotel, Northbrook

Nial Watson is a well-known member of the international daffodil community, hybridizer, and purveyor of some of the best daffodils available in trade. A good friend of the ADS and co-organizer of last year's World Daffodil Convention, he will speak to us about his business in Northern Ireland.

Oakwood Daffodils

Monday, April 27

Separate registration and fee

Oakwood Daffodils is the farm of Dr. John Reed and his wife, Sandy. Consisting of many acres devoted to John's hybridizing efforts, it is located in Niles, Michigan on Bertrand Road. Bulbs hybridized here are known world wide, and many of the best cultivars from every well-known hybridizer grow here, as well.

Millennium Park has become a cultural center and favorite meeting place in Chicago. We'll see world class architecture and gardens in the shadow of the skyscrapers of Michigan Avenue.

7 am	Breakfast buffet at Winnetka C of the hotel
8:30 am	Bus departs for Oakwood Daffodils
11 am	Arrive at Oakwood Daffodils
12 pm	Box lunch
2:30 pm	Depart for Chicago
4:30 pm	Stop at Millennium Park
6:30 pm	Arrive at hotel

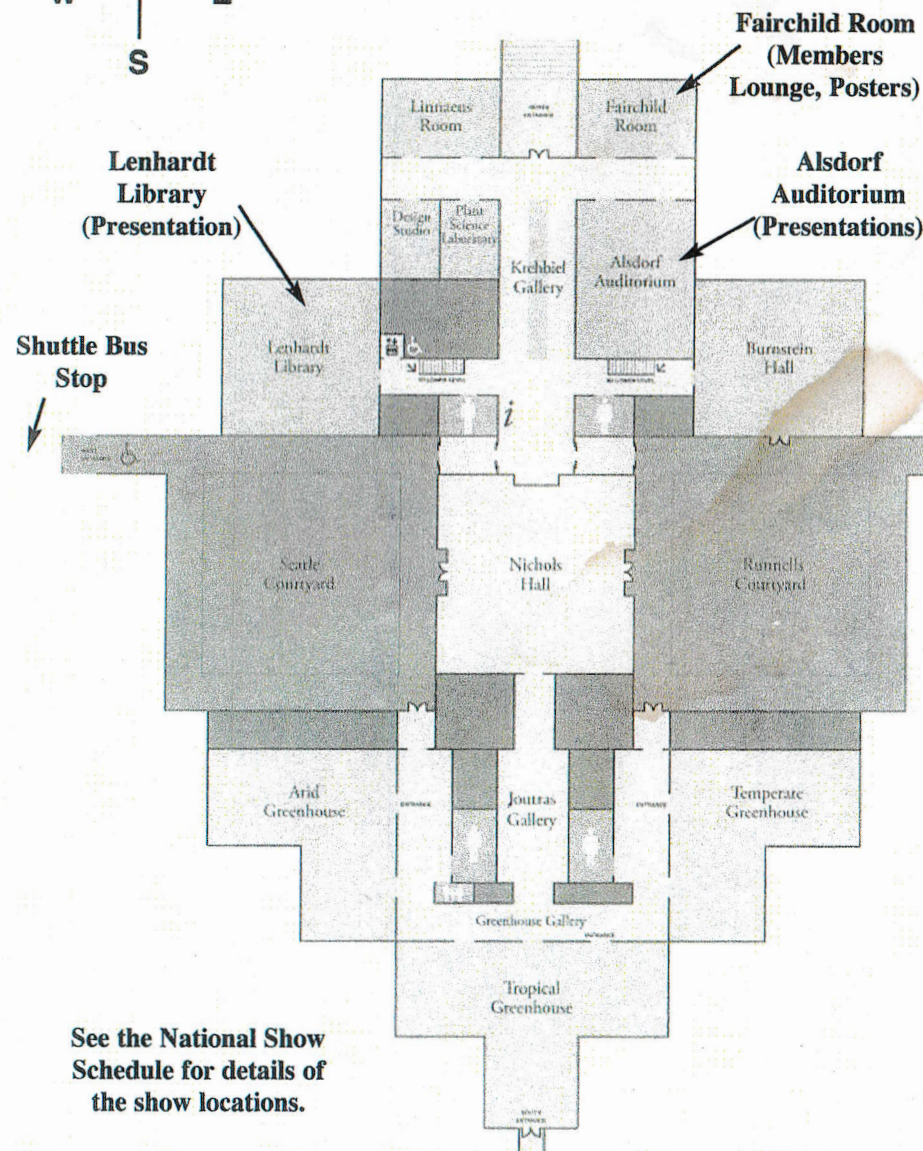
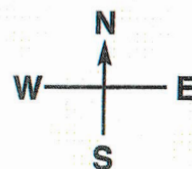
Driving directions to Oakwood Daffodils:

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| 1: Start out going NORTHWEST on SKOKIE BLVD toward SUNSET RIDGE RD. | 0.1 mi |
| 2: Turn SLIGHT RIGHT onto IL-68/DUNDEE RD. | 0.1 mi |
| 3: Merge onto I-94 E toward CHICAGO. | 24.1 mi |
| 4: Keep LEFT to take I-90 EXPRESS LN E/I-94 EXPRESS LN E/ DAN RYAN EXPRESS LN E toward GARFIELD BLVD. | 3.9 mi |
| 5: Merge onto I-90 E/I-94 E/DAN RYAN EXPY E toward SKYWAY/ INDIANA TOLL RD. | 0.9 mi |
| 6: Keep LEFT to take I-90 E via EXIT 59A toward INDIANA TOLL RD (Portions toll) (Crossing into INDIANA). | 79.8 mi |
| 7: Take the US-31-BYP exit, EXIT 72, toward NILES/SOUTH BEND /PLYMOUTH. | 0.5 mi |
| 8: Merge onto US-31 N/ST JOSEPH VALLEY PKWY toward NILES MI. | 0.8 mi |
| 9: Take the US-31-BR S/CLEVELAND RD/BRICK RD exit. | 0.2 mi |
| 10: Turn LEFT onto BRICK RD/CLEVELAND RD/US-31 BR S. | 0.3 mi |
| 11: Turn LEFT onto BRICK RD. | 0.5 mi |
| 12: Turn LEFT onto N MAYFLOWER RD (Crossing into MICHIGAN). | 2.4 mi |
| 13: Turn RIGHT onto W BERTRAND RD. | 0.6 mi |
| 14: End at 2330 W Bertrand Rd Niles, MI. | |

Estimated Time: 2 hours 11 minutes Estimated Distance: 114.14 miles

Source: Mapquest

Regenstein Center



See the National Show Schedule for details of the show locations.