

# The Daffodil Rave

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# Transition to a New Year...

By Lynn Slackman

As with every New Year, we transition into new experiences and rewarding events as we begin our annual trip around the sun. This year the Greater St Louis Daffodil Society has another year of exciting events planned for our membership.

The 16th annual GSLDS Daffodil Show will be open to the public on Saturday, April 14th and Sunday, April 15th. New technologies are all the rage, and this year our show theme is "Daffodils On-Line"! The design, horticulture, and photography portions of our annual daffodil show will portray daffodils, and the relationship they play with the technology we use every day. Bring your flowers and zest for enjoyment to our show staging event on Friday, April 13th. Show setup is from 1:00pm to 9:00pm on Friday, and 7:00am to 10:00am on Saturday morning. Then come back on Saturday afternoon and Sunday to view the show awards, visit with other daffodil enthusiasts, and talk with members of the public about the rewards of daffodils.

"Dig Daffodils Day" at the Shaw Nature Reserve is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, March 31st, with an alternate date of Saturday, April 7th. This is an opportunity to obtain daffodils that are no longer available in the trade and see new daffodils that have developed over time in the natural setting of the Shaw Nature Reserve. This event is always a fun learning experience. Rain or shine, we will be digging daffodils.

Our annual potted daffodil sale at the Daffodil Show and fall bulb sales, during September and October, are our biggest fund raisers each year. We always treasure the help and support our members give at these events. Our membership is the future of the Greater St Louis Daffodil Society, and like daffodils, our organization has continued to mature and grow with each passing year.

Welcome to a marvelous New Year!

# The Toxic Girls

By Lynn Slackman



The Greater St Louis Daffodil Society is very pleased that Sonja Lallemand, one of our cherished members of the Greater St Louis Daffodil Society, has agreed to talk with us at our first 2012 meeting of the New Year.

Ms. Lallemand is a graduate from Missouri State University, Springfield, MO; she holds a B.S. in Horticulture and a Master's Degree in Plant Science – Pomology (fruit science). Her Master's research investigated the allelopathic effects of daffodils in the landscape, and its application in sustainable

agriculture. While earning her degrees, Sonja operated her own landscaping business which offered a variety of services: garden restoration, pruning, landscape design and maintenance.

In 1996, Sonja became a Master Gardener with the University of Missouri Extension. For the last 15 years she has delivered numerous horticultural programs as well as organized conferences, workshops, and seminars. Ms. Lallemand is also a member of the American Rose Society and past-President of the Rose Society of the Ozarks. In her current position as Horticulture Educator with the University of Illinois Extension, she brings to her five counties (Franklin, Jackson, Perry, Randolph, and Williamson) many years of horticulture experience and knowledge.

During her presentation, Ms. Lallemand will focus on the results of her research, at Missouri State University, "APPLIED ALLELOPATHY: EFFECTS OF DAFFODILS IN THE HOME LANDSCAPE AND IN SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE".

Members of the Greater St Louis Daffodil Society are looking forward to Sonja's presentation and visiting with her at 1:00 PM on February 26, 2012 in the Garden Room of Ridgeway Center at Missouri Botanical Garden.

# Zephyranthes – Rain Lilies for Summer Bloom By Beth Holbrooke

The most amazing bulbs in my garden are the rainflowers (or rain lilies) that seem to pop into bloom after – you guessed it – a warm summer shower. The foliage is like grass or even skinny jonquil leaves. The bloom starts out looking like just another leaf until it quickly opens into a flower that is about the size of a quarter. The name *Zephyranthes* means "flower of the West wind" which is what brings the late summer showers that cause the blooms to burst open. They come in a variety of pale and bold pinks, a lilac/lavender, all white and colors I'm sure I haven't seen yet. If you are lucky, they will self seed and create more. If you want to grow them the easy way, the bulbs can be



planted in Spring in rich moist soil in a sunny spot. They can also be potted up like amaryllis bulbs and set out for the summer. Sometimes I forget about them in the bustle of daffodil season and don't remember them until I walk outdoors after those summer rains. I love surprises and remembering that I have them always astonishes me. If your trying to expand your horizons beyond daffodils, daylilies and/or iris, these could be a good choice!

# "Dig Daffodil Day - 2012" By Jason Delaney

Our annual "Dig Daffodil Day" event is hosted by the Greater Saint Louis Daffodil Society (GSLDS), in conjunction with the Shaw Nature Reserve (SNR) of the Missouri Botanical Garden. This year "Dig Daffodil Day" is scheduled for **Saturday, March 31**, **2012 from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM** at the Shaw Nature Reserve in Gray



Summit, MO. We also have an alternate date of April 7, 2012 this year. We plan to embark on the epic dig from the Entrance parking lot at 9:00 a.m. sharp. Collectors of historic daffodils shouldn't miss this!

"Dig Daffodils Day" is open by invitation only to daffodil society members and other interested plant conservation and preservation groups. The rules are quite simple:

- SNR will allocate a sector of the prairie where they wish for us to remove the daffodils, and we will have the day to dig as many as we can.
- Participants shall only dig within the allotted sector.
- Participants shall dig on this day only.
- The dug bulbs are ours to keep; members of the Greater Saint Louis Daffodil Society will be expected to dig for the annual bulb sale in addition to their own loot.
- The GSLDS will cover the admission into the SNR and provide drinks, but participants will be required to bring their own lunch.
- Participants are required to bring their own tools, bags, markers, and any supplies one feels are necessary to digging daffodils.
- Dress for the part--briars, burrs, poison ivy, mud, bugs, and rain are all likely to be encountered.

# Recycled Mesh Bags Needed!!!!!!!!!

Please turn in the extra mesh bags lying about in your garage or closets!!!! They may be mesh bags from last year's exchange, or recycled onion bags, we don't care! We will wash and sanitize them, and re-use them for the Bulb Exchange and SNR Dig!!!! So bring them to the many upcoming GSLDS functions, and turn them in!!!!



Thanks, Cindy Haeffner

# Greater St Louis Daffodil Society Meeting Minutes

By Ann Henson

Sunday, November 13, 2011 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Garden Room, Ridgeway Center at MOBOT

The regular meeting was called to order by President Lynn Slackman who welcomed members and guests. President Slackman stated that copies were on each table and requested that members take some time to review the minutes of our October meeting. She asked if there were any additions or corrections. There being none, Pam Hardy moved that the minutes be approved as recorded. Seconded by Beth Holbrooke, the minutes were approved. Secretary Ann Henson thanked Leora McTall, Cindy Haeffner and Vaughn Meister for recording the minutes of the meetings she was unable to attend.

President Slackman then called for the Treasurer's report. Treasurer Peter McAdams presented a Comparison Profit and Loss Statement for 2010 and 2011, a copy of which is attached to these minutes. The report indicated the transactions for 2011 resulted in a profit of \$951.75 as compared to 2010 which showed a net loss of \$340.18 for the year. Treasurer McAdams commented on the difference, noting that 2011 income included more donations, including \$209.00 from PHS bulbs sold at the club exchange and reported the current inventory of plant labels. Vaughn Meister moved that the Treasurer's report be approved, subject to audit. Seconded by Pam Hardy, the motion passed. Treasurer McAdams was commented for his services to our club.

President Slackman then turned the meeting over to Cindy Haeffner, program chair, who introduced Jason Delaney. Jason presented a power-point program entitled, "Historics as Building Blocks in 20th Century Hybridizing". An excellent program that left us with a new respect for the efforts of the early hybridizers.

Following a short break for refreshments, the business meeting continued with old business as follows:

President Slackman extended a big "Thank You" to everyone associated with and participating in 2011 GSLDS's fall events.

Jean Morris and Suzanne Raymond reported on the acquisition of table coverings for the 2012 Daffodil Show. Jean stated that they had been unable to locate the dark green sheets but ultimately found some black flat percale bed sheets at Wal-Mart and purchased all they had. They estimated that we are going to need 4 more and asked that we all go to the Wal-Mart stores in our neighborhoods to find additional black sheets. We will be sharing the cost and use with two other clubs which will reduce the cost to our club to about \$5.00 apiece. Please notify Jean if you are able to locate any more full size black flat sheets.

President Slackman announced that it is official...GSLDS and NCDS are co-hosting the 2016 World Daffodil Convention in St. Louis.

Under new business, President Slackman asked Rave Editor what she would need for the new issues in 2012. Beth stated that there would be a short paragraphs listing forthcoming events. She would like members to submit a brief statement of their favorite daffodil or their favorite division. She will include a list of Club Challenge bulbs. She will need information or articles on the 2012 Daffodil Show from the show committee. There will be a summary of Jason's program on Historic Hybridizers, and any other articles by members on anything about growing or showing daffodils would be welcomed.

Jean Morris announced that the committee had come up with a theme for the show,"Daffodils On-Line". It's all about computers, with design themes such as "Surfing the Net", "Laser Printer", "Minimize", and "There's an App for that" which will be a table setting for two. Next year's show will feature a new classification in honor of Su Li who always brings such amazing Mass Designs to our shows. These are to be staged on pedestals.

President Slackman announced that we need a nominating committee to present a slate of officers as follows: President, Secretary and two Board Members for 2012. Beth Holbrooke is the one Board Member that continues through next term, Peter remains as Treasurer and Cindy Haeffner retains her position as Vice President. If Cindy wishes to move up to the office of President, she would then appoint a new Vice President to fill the office vacated. Named to the committee are Beth Holbrooke, Vaughn Meister and Pam Hardy.

President Slackman stated that our first meeting would be at MOBOT on February 26, 2012. The bulb cleaning party next year would be held at Peter and Jan McAdams' home. The bulb sale will be October 20th and 21st in Orthwein Hall. The bulb exchange will be on November 4, 2012, but not at MOBOT. Another site will be announced later. Our last meeting in 2012 will be on November 18th. The above information is tentative and subject to change.

Since there is some confusion about who is eligible to participate in the Daffodil bulb exchange, the subject was brought up for discussion. Jason Delaney moved that the following policy be restated as to the requirements for eligibility:

Members attending at least two events or meetings, prior to the bulb exchange: Pay \$10 each Members attending less than two events or meetings, prior to the bulb exchange: Pay \$25 each Non-members MUST become a member of GSLDS and pay \$25 each. Motion was seconded by Sonja Lallemand and subsequently, passed.

Jean Morris thanked Jason for donating 2 different cultivars of daffodil bulbs to her class which Val Mertz is the teacher. Student planted them in pots which they sunk into the ground for the winter and later will bring the pots to enter in our show.

Cindy reported on the cooperative master gardener project partnering with Missouri Department of Transportation to plant daffodils along the highway, stating that they were planned to do this again next year.

Ellen Henson won the \$25.00 bulb gift certificate and other items were donated by members for door prizes. Following the business meeting an auction of donated old Daffodil Journals was held with the proceeds going to the club.

Jason brought the balance of his unsold bulbs to sell to eager members at great discounts with half the sale price going to the club. Thanks to Jason for his generosity to our club.

Meeting adjourned at 3:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Ann Henson, Secretary

## 'Manuel Lima' seedling,



Photos by Gary Knehens

'Trevanion' N. pachybulbous 98-30W



# GREATER ST. LOUIS DAFFODIL SOCIETY PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDING DEC 31, 2011 COMPARISON

1/1/11 THRU 12/31/11	2010	2011
CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE JAN 1	\$6,387.56	\$5,835.94
INCOME		
MOBOT ANNUAL BULB SALE	\$1,182.00	\$1,190.00
HERMAN FALL SALE	\$0.00	\$624.11
GREENTREE FESTIVAL	\$1,005.50	\$578.00
ANNUAL EXCHANGE	\$1,254.50	\$1,056.00
POTTED BULB SALES - TO PUBLIC	\$604.00	\$638.00
TOTAL SALES	\$4,046.00	\$4,086.11
DONATIONS RECEIVED DUES RECEIVED	\$16.00	\$335.50
2010 Members dues Received	\$178.00	\$0.00
2011 Members Dues Received	\$98.00	\$111.00
2012 Members Dues Received	\$17.00	\$108.00
2013 Members Dues Received	\$17.00	\$26.00
2015 Members Dues Received	\$0.00	\$7.00
TOTAL DUES RECEIVED	\$310.00	\$252.00
OTHER INCOME	4000.00	<b>*</b> 40 <b>=</b> 00
BLOOMIN BUCKS - BRENT & BECKYS BULB SALES TO MEMBERS- MITSCH DISC	\$633.69	\$107.69
BULBS	\$474.20	\$368.00
MISC INCOME	\$37.50	\$299.50
PLANT LABEL SALES	\$1,017.00	\$768.50
T SHIRT SALES - CLUB EMBLEM	\$630.00	\$292.00
TOTAL OTHER INCOME	\$2,792.39	\$1,835.69
TOTAL INCOME	\$7,164.39	\$6,509.30
TOTAL INCOME	\$7,104.39	\$0,509.50
EXPENSES		
ADVERTISING - GATEWAY GARDENER & MOBOT	\$0.00	\$215.00
EXCHANGE BULB COSTS	\$1,500.00	\$1,476.30
BULBS DISCOUNTED TO MEMBERS - MITSCH	\$474.20	\$363.20
BOOTH FEES - HERMAN MO	\$0.00	\$67.50
CHARITABLE DONATIONS - KOMEN ST LOUIS	\$250.00	\$250.00
CORPORATE FEES/EXPENSE	\$15.00	\$10.00
JUDGE EXPENSE	\$475.28	\$250.00
SHOW SUPPLIES	\$517.68	\$754.44
GIFT CERTIFICATES	\$25.00	\$50.00
GREENTREE FESTIVAL EXPENSES	\$368.25	\$60.00
MEETING EXPENSES	\$236.01	\$101.85

MEMBERSHIPS MISC SOCIETY EXPENSES OFFICE EXPENSES PLANT LABEL COSTS POSTAGE and DELIVERY PROGRAM SPEAKER EXPENSE SUPPLIES TEE SHIRTS-CLUB EMBLEM WEB SITE EXPENSE	\$300.00 \$90.00 \$0.00 \$918.72 \$10.56 \$874.26 \$239.69 \$701.25 \$39.85	\$355.00 \$170.00 \$18.55 \$692.00 \$130.87 \$175.00 \$191.87 \$297.00 \$0.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$7,035.73	\$5,628.58
OVERALL TOTAL	<b>\$128.66</b>	\$880.72
ENDING BANK BALANCE DEC 31, 2010	\$5,835.94	
ENDING BANK BALANCE DEC 12, 2011		\$7,408.66

Donations received 2011 include \$331.50 from Jason Delaney's PHS bulb sales at our Exchange & Dec meeting. Income from Society fund raisers is about the same as last year. Expenses overall are mostly the same as last year. We have cash in the bank and no outstanding debts or expenses.

# Blooms, Bay & Beyond 2012 ADS National Convention & Show

By Lynn Slackman



This year the Maryland Daffodil Society, *America's Oldest Daffodil Society*, is hosting the 2012 American Daffodil Society Convention. It is being held at the Sheraton Baltimore North in Towson, MD, on April 20-22, 2012. Attending an ADS convention is an experience like no other, in addition to viewing daffodils from another region of the country, you also get a chance to visit with many familiar daffodil friends and meet new enthusiastic daffodil friends.

I will be attending Judging School III at the Maryland convention this year. In addition to completing the final segment of Judges Training, I'm also hoping for the opportunity to perform clerking and assisting with show judging at the ADS convention.

I hope other Greater St Louis Daffodil members will consider joining me in Maryland to enjoy the <u>Blooms</u>, <u>Bay & Beyond National Convention</u>.

"If we did not have the winter, the spring would not be so pleasant. If we did not sometimes taste of adversity, prosperity would not be so welcome" -Ann Bradstreet

# "Daffodils On-Line"



Join us at the 16th annual Daffodil Show

Presented by The Greater St Louis Daffodil Society

April 14-15, 2012 Saturday NOON to 5:00 PM, Sunday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Orthwein Floral Hall at the Missouri Botanical Garden
Design, Horticulture & Photography at the Daffodil Show

*"Open to the Public"* show staging on Friday, April 13<sup>th</sup> from 1:00PM to 9:00PM. Please encourage your neighbors, friends, and associates to bring their daffodils for staging at our annual Daffodil Show.

Large Potted Daffodils will be FOR SALE at this Annual Event

Please access our web site for the Show Schedules >> <a href="http://www.stldaffodilclub.org/">http://www.stldaffodilclub.org/</a> Missouri Botanical Garden - 4344 Shaw Boulevard, St. Louis, MO 63110

# Design Division Classes for 2012 Daffodil Show

Available classes for the Design Division of the "Daffodils On-Line" Show are outlined below;

## Class 1 - "The World Wide Web"

It's all out there! Information is available about anything and everything. A mass design staged on a light green pedestal topped with a flat 15" circle in your choice of several dark colors. Underlay may be used if furnished by the exhibitor.

MINIMUM HEIGHT 25"

**4 ENTRIES** 

## Class 2 - "Blog About It"

Tell us about your love for daffodils with this creative design staged on a table against a light green background 24" tall X 22" wide X 15" deep.

MAXIMUM HEIGHT 31 1/2"

**4 ENTRIES** 

# Class 3 - "The Laser Printer"

Produce those documents in record time as you create this design suggesting motion staged on a table against a light green background 32" tall X 22" wide X 15" deep.

MAXIMUM HEIGHT 31 1/2"

4 ENTRIES

## Class 4 – "Minimize"

Too many screens on your monitor? Just hit minimize. A small design no more than 8" in any direction staged on a table against a  $9 \frac{1}{2}$ " background in your choice of several pastel colors.

MAXIMUM HEIGHT /WIDTH 8"

**UP TO 10 ENTRIES** 

## Class 5 - "There's an App for That"

Choose a great lunch spot by pushing a button on your i-phone. See you there! A functional luncheon for two staged on a square bridge table furnished by the show committee. Place settings and table covering must be furnished by the exhibitor. No flatware.

MAXIMUM HEIGHT 16" CENTER OR 18" CORNER DESIGN PLACEMENT

**4 ENTRIES** 

## Class 6 - "Moving the Mouse"

A design including a mouse (four-legged variety also acceptable) staged on a table against a black background 20" tall X 14" wide X 15" deep.

MAXIMUM HEIGHT 19 1/2"

YOUTH ONLY

**UP TO 6 ENTRIES** 

# Class 7 - "Twitter and Tweet"

The latest way to (briefly) communicate. Designer's choice staged on a table against a light green background 20" tall X 14" wide X 15" deep.

MAXIMUM HEIGHT 19-1/2"

YOUTH ONLY

**UP TO 6 ENTRIES** 

**NOTE:** Tables for class 2, 3, 6 and 7 will be skirted in black, top and sides.

# Photography Division Classes for 2012 Daffodil Show

Available classes for the Photography Division of the "Daffodils On-Line" Show are outlined below;

**P-1** - Portraits of Daffodils — a close-up of a single daffodil bloom, or up to three blooms of the same cultivar

- P-2 Daffodils in the Landscape
- P-3 Daffodils in the Garden
- P-4 Daffodils in their Native/Natural Habitat
- P-5 Daffodils in the Hybridizers' Daffodil Field
- **P-6** Daffodils and People
- P-7 Daffodils and Animals
- **P-8** An arranged still life incorporating daffodils
- P-9 Abstract or special affects incorporating daffodils or daffodil elements

To see the complete show schedules for **Design**, **Horticulture**, **and Photography**, please reference the Daffodil Show page on our web site at <a href="http://www.stldaffodilclub.org/">http://www.stldaffodilclub.org/</a>. Click on the "Daffodils On-Line" Show Schedule link, **in the upper left hand corner of the page**, to select the 2012 show schedules.

# Albuquerque Gardeners Get Paid to Save Water by Planting Bulbs Submitted by Jim Morris



Sounds too good to be true doesn't it? In an October 3 article titled "Droughtbusters," *TIME* magazine talks about innovative water conservation efforts around the country. It seems that the Albuquerque, NM water authority has been paying residents \$0.75 per square foot to tear out their yards and replace them with plants that need little water. ABQ includes alliums, *Belamcanda*, crocus, daffodils, hyacinths, bearded and bulbous iris and tulips on a list of twelve bulbs with low or medium need for water, thus qualifying them for the xeriscaping rebate. Just when you thought you had heard it all.

"No winter lasts forever, no spring skips its turn. April is a promise that May is bound to keep." -Hal Borland

# Hyacinths

Contributed by Jason Delaney

Many who have enjoyed the heady perfume and bold, cheery colors of hyacinths in their garden may also have noticed a peculiar dermatological reaction when handling the bulbs, and sometimes from handling the cut stems. Some individuals have no problems, and others---yours truly---suffer miserably, if briefly, from exposure to an otherwise innocent-looking harbinger of Spring.

Hyacinths---and members within the Hyacinthaceae family, including Scilla, Puschkinia, Drimea, Ornithogalum---contain *raphides* (bundles of needle-like calcium oxalate crystals in a jellylike mucilage found in plant cells) in special ejector cells called *idioblasts* (similar to those in the Araceae family, i.e., elephant's ear and dumb cane). Idioblasts are like capsules with nipple-shaped ends, and lie at various orientations within the plant's tissues. When the idioblast's tip is damaged, such as when the plant tissue is bruised, cut, or bitten, the raphides are released from the idioblasts with great pressure, thereby piercing the skin and mucous membranes, causing itching and general discomfort most often in the form of dermatitis. Florists, nurserymen, gardeners, and others who handle or grow these plants are most at risk.

Fortunately, hyacinth poisoning is very rare. Clinical symptoms usually include digestive tract disorders such as colic, vomiting, and diarrhea. The raphides which cause the damage are primarily concentrated within the bulb, and ingesting only a small amount of the bulb may cause stomach upset. Keep the bulbs out of the reach of children and animals, particularly dogs, cattle, and pigs.

Thus, when handling hyacinths in bulb or plant form, always remember to wear gloves and long sleeves; if you're especially prone to reaction, goggles and a dust mask are recommended to avoid bulb dust exposure. If you experience almost immediate itching and rash-like symptoms on areas of the body where the plant has made contact, a simple soap and water rinse *should* alleviate the situation.

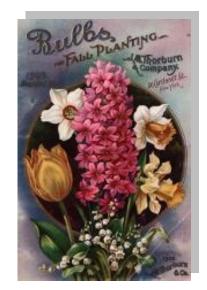
For long-term perennial culture, plant hyacinth bulbs 6" deep and apart in sharply drained soil in a sunny location that can bake during the summer months. October is the optimum time to plant, and late March-early April is the flowering period. Allow the foliage turn yellow before removing, usually in early May. Hyacinths will clump and provide bouquets for many years to come with the proper care. Because they're poisonous they're animal-proof, making them all the better of a long-

term investment. And what could look better flowering with our daffodils?

http://www.oldhousegardens.com/display.aspx?cat=Hyacinth "

"If, of thy mortal goods, thou art bereft, And from thy slender store two loaves alone to thee are left, Sell one and from the dole, Buy Hyacinths to feed the soul"

- Muslihuddin Sadi 13th century Persian poet



Changes voted on by the ADS Board of Directors in Atlanta last month. by Chriss Rainey

The first is that the description of the Purple Ribbon has been changed for 2012, and forward, to the following:

Purple Ribbon for the best collection of five different standard daffodils in the Horticulture Division of the show, excluding entries in the Historic Section.

## How is this different from what your schedule said in 2011?

- 1. It is no longer the prerogative of the schedule writer for each show to determine which classes will or will not be eligible for the ribbon.
- 2. <u>ALL classes</u> of five standards, even those restricted to the sponsoring society or garden club ARE eligible for the ribbon in the future.
- 3. Even those classes which are eligible for other ADS ribbons are to be considered. This includes the RWB, the Maroon and the Youth collections in local and regional shows and also the country of origin collections in the national show.

It is important that you let your members and likely exhibitors know about this change.

The next change made by the board that impacts schedules is the introduction of a new section for shows called "Classics."

Classic flowers will be defined as standard flowers introduced from 1940-1969. It is each show's



option to include this section in their show. FOUR ribbons will be created for this section, as per the motion that was approved in Atlanta. To be eligible for the ribbons a show must have at least one class for single stems, for which there will be an ADS ribbon, at least one class for 3 stems, for which there will be an ADS ribbon, at least one class for a collection of five stems, for which there will be an ADS ribbon. A fourth ribbon will be given for the best cultivar in the Classic Section. The winners of these ribbons may be selected ONLY from the flowers exhibited in the Classic section. If you decide to add this section to your show it would be desirable to have it located on the bench next to the Historics which are flowers introduced pre 1940. Exact wording for each of the new ribbons is still being worked out. I'll let you know in a couple of days exactly what to write in your schedules when that has been determined. Please click **HERE** for a suggested list of 'Classic' flower entries for our Daffodil Show.

# GSLDS Club Challenge Cultivars

The following is a list of *Club Challenge* bulbs outlined in our Daffodil Show schedule. You don't have to receive them from the GSLDS club in order to enter them in this section of the show. The hardest part about winning is to have them blooming at show time! They are: **Phil's Gift, Snipe, Kamms, Maker's Mark, Gateway to Spring, Pink Silk, Inca Gold, Beryl, Trena, Killearnan, POPS Legacy, Fox Fire, and Tangent.** 

# **Calendar of Events 2012**

DATE	TIME/PLACE	ACTIVITY
Sunday February 26, 2012	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Garden Room of Ridgeway Center at MOBOT	Sonja Lallemand, our featured speaker, will present " <b>The Toxic Girls</b> ". <i>Refreshments provided by members</i>
Saturday March 31, 2012	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM Shaw Nature Reserve, Gray Summit, MO	"Dig Daffodils Day" is open by invitation only to GSLDS members and other interested plant conservation and preservation groups.  Members please bring your lunch.
April 14 – 15, 2012	Orthwein Floral Hall at MOBOT	Celebrate "Daffodils On- Line" at the Greater St. Louis Daffodil Society's annual Spring Show. Setup starts at 1:00pm on Friday April 13th.
Sunday July 15, 2012	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Garden Room of Ridgeway Center at MOBOT	Talk by outside speaker to be announced  Refreshments provided by members
Sunday September 9, 2012	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Garden Room of Ridgeway Center at MOBOT	Bagging and Tagging of Bulbs for upcoming Exchange and Sale.
October 20 – 21, 2012	9:00AM – 5:00PM or until sold out. Orthwein Hall of Ridgeway Center at MOBOT	Annual public bulb sale and our best fund raiser. <b>Setup Friday night October 19th</b> in Orthwein Hall from 5:00PM until done.
Sunday November 4, 2012	NOON – 5:00PM Classroom #125 at CBEC	Annual exchange of "better" donated and purchased bulbs from various sources.  Please refer to participation guidelines below.  Food and drink provided, side dish & desserts requested.
Sunday November 18, 2012	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Garden Room of Ridgeway Center at MOBOT	Wrap up of the year. Slides and snacks brought by members with Holiday party theme. A chance to visit and exchange ideas for next year.

Participation guidelines for Daffodil Bulb Exchange on Sunday, November 4, 2012;

- \* Members attending at least two events or meetings, prior to the bulb exchange, pay usual \$10 entry fee.
- \* Members attending less than two events or meetings, prior to the bulb exchange, pay \$25 entry fee.
- \* Non-members *MUST* become a member of GSLDS and pay \$25 entry fee.

CBEC Classroom #125 will seat 50 classroom-style and is equipped with a long counter with a sink.