

# The Indiana Ledger

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Next Activities: **Annual Picnic, Bag'N Tag**  
**JULY 20 & 23** (see more in newsletter)

Next Meeting: **August 23**, 3-5 p.m.

At: Holliday Park Nature Center  
6363 Spring Mill Road, Indianapolis

## Refreshments:

Rosie Springer will contact you to remind you if you signed up for refreshments!

There will also be an informal plant swap..and a short informational presentation.

"Daffodil leaves are the solar reflectors and the bulbs are the batteries."

Brent Heath

*From our president...*

***F**or such a small group as ours we endeavor, and deliver, a tremendous amount of activity! From doing a first class show to bulb sales to awarding scholarships...our presence is definitely known in Indiana! We have a core of very hard workers. It is their passion to do what they do. But, alas, many of our members have no idea of the process and amount of work it takes to do all of this. We need each member's understanding, support, and PARTICIPATION! Our physical work of digging bulbs has been done for this year. But, we need to clean and bag the bulbs for the sales. Many hands make the work so much faster and lighter. We do this in the guise of picnic and party...because we also have fun while doing it!! Several members have accepted large amounts of bulbs to clean...so our picnic will have some bulbs still to clean...so include a pair of garden gloves with your items that you will bring to the picnic.*

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## 2014 OFFICERS

<b>President:</b>	<b>Mary Milberger</b>
<b>Vice President and Member Liaison:</b>	<b>Sue Luken</b>
<b>Secretary:</b>	<b>Marilyn Ferguson</b>
<b>Treasurer:</b>	<b>Pat Seigman</b>
<i>Committees:</i>	
<b>Daffodil Bulb Sales:</b>	<b>Sara Kinne , Ruth Pelouch</b>
<b>IDS Daffodil Show:</b>	<b>Sara Kinne, Sue Luken</b>
<b>IDS Show Schedule:</b>	<b>Suzy Wert, Jim Wilson</b>
<b>Horticulture:</b>	<b>Helen Trueblood</b>
<b>Hospitality:</b>	<b>Rosie Springer</b>
<b>Member Directory:</b>	<b>Mary Milberger</b>
<b>Parliamentarian</b>	<b>Francesca Levitt</b>
<b>Publicity:</b>	<b>Diane Cockerham</b>
<b>Web Site:</b>	<b>Suzy Wert, Jim Wilson</b>
<b>Newsletter:</b>	<b>IDSNews@Live.com</b>

## **Mark your 2014 Calendars...**

**Holliday Park Nature Center, Indianapolis (HPNC)**

**JULY 20 IDS PICNIC!!! 1-5 pm Rain Date July 27**

**JULY 23 Bag'N'Tag PARTY 10 am – 5pm**

**AUGUST 2 BULB SALES AT HPNC 10AM-3 PM**

2 Bulb Sale at Frank Otte, Louisville

3 Bulb Sale at JCC 10am-1pm

9, 10 Bulb Sale, Indiana State Fair

16,17 Bulb Sales, Indiana State Fair

**23 HPNC Bulb Sale 10-3; IDS Meeting 3-5pm**

30 Bulb Sale, Bloomington Farmers Mkt

**September 9 Bulb Sale, Bloomington Farmers Mkt**

13 Bulb Sale, Bloomington Farmers Mkt

20 Bulb Sale, Bloomington Farmers Mkt

**October 4 IDS Meeting at HPNC 1-4pm**

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Since I am doing the job of "President", the job of "Newsletter Editor" is basically unfilled. This may be your only "formal" newsletter that you will receive this year. BUT, I will be sending out mass emails so you can keep up-to-date with the activities (including the agendas for the meetings) And, don't forget to check our website, [indianadaffodilsociety.org](http://indianadaffodilsociety.org) or check us out on Facebook! We have two members who do not have email addresses; I will do my best to call them with special news or have one of their close members call them to keep them informed.

I am also still working on a way to get the word out across the state that we have scholarships to award. So, I am asking YOU to do this for me: Email me the name of your local newspaper. I will send it a notice about the scholarships. By you doing this, I will also be informed that you received this newsletter via email!! It will only take a minute for you to reply to me with the name of the newspaper!! (This will also help Diane with the job of publicity!!!)

Please RSVP to Suzy Wert, [limequilla@aol.com](mailto:limequilla@aol.com), if you plan to attend the picnic. Please RSVP me if you plan to attend the Bag'N Tag party. The Bag'N Tag will be at my house, 1515 Village Walk Drive, Zionsville from 10am-5pm on Wednesday, July 23. Rain or Shine!! Lunch included. There may be another Bag'N Tag day if needed on July 30...this will be a TBA event (via emails)

Can you help at any of the sales? Contact Sara via phone (812.332.5603) or email: [Sara8899kinne@gmail.com](mailto:Sara8899kinne@gmail.com)  
She especially needs help at the State Fair!

Don't forget to help pay our "rent" at Holliday Park...go volunteer for an hour or so...as of early June, we had 8 of our 20 hours completed (thanks to Joyce!!) You can do yard work or office work...

Looking forward to seeing you soon! Mary





This Year's IU Scholarship:  
Grace Cain

Here is info that was sent to us  
From IU:

Grace is earning her B.S. in Biology with a minor in Psychology, and plans to graduate in May of 2015. She is planning to visit our booth at the Bloomington Farmers' Market.

Grace is a member of Prof. Lynda Delph's lab where she studies various aspects of population differences within a flowering perennial plant, *Silene latiflora*, commonly known as the white campion. Because of her hard work and dedication in the Delph lab, she was invited to join the Delph team for their summer 2014 overseas field season in Spain and Croatia, where they will continue their research on the campion plant.

Grace was selected to receive the Arlene Ferguson Internship at Hilltop Gardens, where she will work during the spring 2015 semester. She is also active with several campus groups, including being a CommUNITY Educator at Wright Quad, where she facilitates diversity and social justice programs. Grace is also the director of philanthropy for the Nations Residence Hall Honorary, where she coordinates volunteer opportunities for the members of NRHH within the Bloomington Community, including the Hoosier Hills Food Bank and Middle Way House. She is also the treasurer of the American Cetacean Society Student Coalition at IU.

Grace sent this note to us:

*"Dear Mary Milberger,  
I would like to thank you and the  
Indiana Daffodil Society for your  
generosity in providing me with*

*the scholarship for the year of  
2014. I was overcome with  
excitement when I received the  
news; I am very grateful to the  
society. Though I do not conduct  
research on daffodils at the  
university, plants, flowers and  
nature as a whole have been a  
true love of mine for as long as (I)  
can remember. And, what  
intrigued me to get involved with  
the Delph lab and working in the  
greenhouse.*

*As a young girl and throughout  
my college years, nature and the  
great outdoors has always been  
my place of peace and comfort.  
And with winter being so rough I  
thought spring would never come.  
Yet on this past Monday the  
weather shifted and I spotted  
daffodils beginning to pop up  
around campus; They were in the  
most unlikely places, adding a  
vibrant color to the surrounding  
landscape still trying to come back  
to life from the cold months of the  
past. A smile crept across my face  
at the site of the yellow petals.  
Daffodils truly are a gem to the  
Bloomington campus.*

*Thank you again for the  
scholarship funding and support.  
I look forward to meeting you and  
the other Society members in the  
near future at the farmers market  
or another society event.*

*Sincerely,  
Grace M. Crain"*

## Minutes from the Daffodil Society Meeting March 22, 2014

**Attending:** Susan Lupus, Amy Moran, Tamara Arituiiau?, Kay Cunningham, Sara Kinne, Suzy Wert, Fredrica Lawlor, Helen Trueblood, Ruth Pelouch, Carolyn Cutshall, Ashton Eller, Joyce Wozniak, Francesca Levitt, Rosie Springer, Pat Siegman, Sue Luken, Mary Milberger, Marilyn Ferguson

**Introduction** of 2014 Officers and committee chairs:

President: Mary Milberger, Vice President & Member Liaison: Sue Luken, Secretary: Marilyn Ferguson, Treasurer: Pat Siegman, Committees: Daffodil Bulb Sales: Sara Kinne, Ruth Pelouch, Horticulture: Helen Trueblood, Hospitality: Rosie Springer, IDS Daffodil Show: Sue Luken, Sara Kinne, IDS Show Schedule: Suzy Wert, Jim Wilson, Newsletter:

[IDSnews@live.com](mailto:IDSnews@live.com), Parliamentarian: Francesca Levitt, Publicity: Diane Cockerham, Web Site: Suzy Wert, Jim Wilson

**Minutes:** from previous October 2013, meeting were e-mailed by Mary M. as well as distributed today.

**Treasurer Report:** By : Pat Siegman March 1-1--2014 to 4-22-2014 Beginning Balance: \$15,823.78 Saving Account: \$50.00 Total Receipts \$695 Total Expenses: \$1,513.26 Closing Balance: \$15,055.52

**Hospitality:** Rosie thanked the following: Ka F., Pat S., Helen T., Rosie S., Sara K., Mary M., Rosie S., Sue L.

**Bulb Sales:** Will be at: a) Holliday Park b) Bloomington Farmers' markets c) Indiana State Fair d) (New venue) Jewish Community and e) Other venues for sales will be at clubs where IDS is speaking.

Sara handed out IDS track cards to Carolyn for the State Master Garden Convention. Francesca Thinks it is possible to sell to St. Vincent Hospital. She'll check on it and may take pictures of their new beds. Ruth reported on her annual Central Avenue (IPS) daffodil plantings.

**New Members:** were welcomed and introduced: Ashton Eller, Amy Moran, Sue Lyon; and not in attendance: Diane Harlan and Lynn Courson.

**Horticulture:** Suggestions from Helen: "Have faith that our daffodils will bloom. If you didn't fertilize last Fall, put some on now before they bloom. One consideration is to pour warm water over bulb areas (if the ground is thawed) to hurry their blooms. Also, take care of other flowers, too."

**Susy** encouraged us to check out the IDS website: <http://www.indianadaffodilsociety.org> for **secret solution** to help picked flowers last longer. This helpful tip is from Mike Brook, our daffodil friend from England

**Helen Link's gardens** will be open during each week this spring and early summer, but it'll especially be nice to go on weekends when there are docents available to answer questions, and discuss the history of the land.

**New Business:** Show schedule passed out. A "sign-ups" and "tear-downs" sheet was circulated for show helpers. Check IDS website for times. Vases with daffodils will be given to attending children and other vases sold to the public. ( So, please bring extra daffodils for this project) All vases (bottles) will have IDS info on tags.

**We are now on FACEBOOK!** Thanks to Diane Cockerham. Check out her educational tidbits!

**Mary displayed** 12 newly purchased **IDS aprons** to be worn at our shows by members. We'll have a new "professional" look!

**Suzy displayed** the **new blocks** to use in our shows made by friends in Pennsylvania.

**Rack Cards** were passed out encouraging us to help advertise our IDS Society and programs.

**Overnight trip:** (in the works) to Niles, Michigan to observe Dr. Reed's daffodil beds. He may show us how to pollinate blooms.

This trip will be educational, but fun. We may also visit Fernwood Gardens and nature conservatory. Also, if time allows, we may take a side trip to Three Oaks, Mi.

**Carpooling:** to Libby Frey's Memorial on April 12. Need to RSVP Libby's daughter, Barbara Frey, at: [bfrey@9plus.net](mailto:bfrey@9plus.net) if attending. We also lost another long time member of IDS: Dr. Marcella Modisett.(11-24-2013) Helen read a fact sheet to us about what a wonderful life she lived. Susy suggested and a motion was passed to honor Dr. Modisett and Libby Frey by having their names on bricks here at Holiday Park.

**Our Frank Nyikos**, a long time IDS member, is proprietor of Walnut Grove, Unionville, In., and has much to share. Go see his property and daylilies. His website is:

<http://walnutgrovenursery.homestead.com/about.html?page=1>

**Eric Holliday** (Sherry's husband), a long time IDS member is recovering from a bad fall; has neuro damage and is in rehab. He's expected to make a full recovery.

**IDS Convention** in Little Rock, will be attended by Sara, Susie and Fredrica.

**Children are the future of ADS** says Suzy Wert. She will once again be the youth chairman for ADS. She started this Jr's program in Indianapolis.

**Old Business:** Scholarship- needs help to move forward.

**New Membership Directories:** were distributed today. Notice the lovely design on the front by Suzy Wert. Nice job Suzy!

**A Gift** was given to **Ruth Pelouch** in appreciation for all her years of being treasurer and president of IDS and volunteering.

**Happy Birthday!** Was sung to **Sara Kinne** today. We wish you many more!

**Program:** A Un-a-ball pen was given to the 1<sup>st</sup> prize winner, Sara, when we participated in a daffodil judging event at our meeting. Suzy instructed us on how to best show our "given" daffodil. Very informative!

**ADS:** Fred discussed the advantages of belonging to the ADS Society. You'll receive 4 journals a year, can attend the convention, can get on daffseek (the finest daffodil engine out there) , daff.net, dafflibrary.org, and daff.2 for videos on how to show daffodils. Etc. We have 3 IDS members on ADS board: Fred Lawlor, Sara Kinne, and Suzy Wert.

**Announcements:** Holliday Park announced that we can only get into our room for meetings, etc. at the exact times that are reserved.

**Our Holliday Park Partnership** is appreciated and is a viable, and ongoing relationship.