

Daffodil News - Spring Show May 5-6-7, 2017

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The Daffodil Show Needs You!



See stunning new daffodil hybrids, as well as oldies but goodies!

We need your help to mount a successful show on May 6-7, 2017!

- Bring **flowers** to enter!
- Bring **photographs** to enter!
- **Munchies** are appreciated by show volunteers (Bachman's requires they must be store-prepared, no "home made").

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Greetings!

Minnesota's spring has proceeded in fits and starts - a warm February, then cold, then some warm days again. We hope your daffodils are waking up and will be in full bloom for our upcoming show. The Daffodil Society of Minnesota looks forward to hosting our 40th annual show the weekend of **May 5-6-7, 2017** at **Bachman's on Lyndale!**

We encourage all DSM members to enter blooms! If you have never even considered entering a daffodil in a show, this is the year! **Once you have entered your first show, as a DSM member you will receive 10 free show-quality bulbs this fall!**

Contact Margaret Macneale, Show Chair, to learn more about keeping your blooms until the show, and then entering them.

And we need **volunteers!** See details below and in the left side bar, and contact us at daffodilmn1@gmail.com.

We have several events scheduled this summer and fall - check out the entire **2017 event calendar!**

A word about watering: we had good moisture last fall, but early spring is sometimes dry. Keep an eye on your daffodil beds and water them if we don't get consistent rain. They are waking up, and will get thirsty!

DAFFODIL SHOW - MAY 6-7, 2017

- Please [volunteer!](#)

Contact 612-581-3426 or daffodilmn1@gmail.org to get details!

Quick Links

[2017 DSM Calendar - Don't Miss the Fun!](#)

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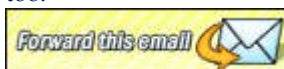
Is your membership current?

Our records show your membership is paid through 2099 . We're glad you're part of the DSM!

If you are not current through at least 2017, [click here](#) to renew now - only \$5 per year for individual or household!

[It's never too late to renew](#) in order to participate in all the DSM benefits and functions throughout the year.

Invite your friends to join, too!



Spring Show - Celebrate spring by entering daffodil blooms and/or photographs!



This is the year to participate in a daffodil show!

The [40th Annual Daffodil Show](#) at [Bachman's](#) is in five short weeks, May 5-6-7, 2017! We [welcome daffodil and photography entries from all](#), and we will help you enter them if you've never done this before. [Contact the show chair](#) for information about entering your blooms or photos in the show!

If you have early blooms you may want to refrigerate them. For detailed tips on refrigerating daffodils, [click here, then go to the last page, page 14](#), of the Show Schedule.

As a DSM member, the first time you exhibit in the show you will be given **10 free show-quality daffodil bulbs** in fall 2017! Don't miss out!

The show has special classes and awards for **small and new growers** (under 50 varieties in your garden), as well as specific classes and ribbons for **youth** (age 18 and under)! Invite your children, friends, or grandchildren to enter blooms and/or photographs as well. *DSM membership is not required!* [Email](#) for details, or check out the [Show Schedule](#) for tips.



Your child or grandchild can win special awards!

Considering [volunteering](#) at the show! We need **setup** help on Friday, May 5th, **'clerks'** on Saturday May 6th (morning thru early afternoon - no experience necessary), plus members to **'greet'** show visitors (two hour shifts on May 6th afternoon and May 7th.) [Let us know](#) when you can help out! You will learn a lot, and spend time among the daffodil blooms! [Click here!](#)

THE COMPLETE 2017 DSM EVENT CALENDAR!

Being a member of DSM brings opportunities to learn about all aspects of growing daffodils!

Check out the entire [2017 DSM calendar of events](#). We will be

digging bulbs in nearby Ellsworth, WI in June, and as a member you will earn free bulbs if you help out!

In August we will be **cleaning and bagging bulbs for sale** - another chance to earn free bulbs for your own garden, to say nothing of the fun of spending a few hours with other daffodil lovers!



Jenn and Devon digging bulbs in Ellsworth, WI last year - earning free bulbs for their own garden!

Then in September we'll have the members-only **Bulb Roundup**, where members can get pick the minds of experienced daffodil growers, all while picking out wonderful bulbs. Volunteer during the year and you will be among those getting first-pick!



DSM members enjoying the 2016 Bulb Roundup

Check out the entire [2017 calendar](#).

SACRAMENTO DAFFODIL CONVENTION HIGHLIGHTS

Minnesota daffodil lovers in Sacramento CA

In early March, six Minnesotans journeyed to Sacramento, CA for the annual [American Daffodil Society](#) convention and show. We enjoyed three days with daffodil lovers from around the US as well as Europe.

One of the most fun things about attending an ADS daffodil convention is seeing the latest in daffodil hybridizing. This year the 'green' daffodils being developed by several growers in California took center stage.

Here are two photos of introductions by Bob Spotts of Oakley, CA. Bob is one of several hybridizers working on 'green'

daffodils. They are absolutely stunning!

For the first time since 2014, the American Daffodil Society awarded the **Innovation Medal**, for an amazing new seedling (at left).

Bob also brought buckets full of his 2001 introduction 'Mesa Verde'. Seeing so many of this



Minnesotans in Sacramento to R: Deb Wheeler, Michael Berrigan, Kathy Julius, Myrna Smith, and Margaret Macneale (not pictured: Edie Godfrey)



Newly developed green daffodil seedling, by Bob Spotts - winner of the **ADS Innovation Award**

beauty up close was a major treat.



N. 'Mesa Verde' (12 G-GGY) was introduced in 2001 - also hybridized by Bob Spotts

The Daffodil Society of Minnesota is incorporated as a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt, non-profit educational organization.



The Daffodil Society of Minnesota promotes growing daffodils in Minnesota, and works to educate its members and the general public on how to grow them successfully in this climate. In short, we have "Yellow Fever" and we love to share it!

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The DSM is affiliated with the [American Daffodil Society](#).

www.daffodilusa.org

www.daffseek.org, a searchable photo database

www.daffnet.org, a forum for daffodil enthusiasts to share ideas and information

www.dafflibrary.org, a treasure trove of digitized historical writings

www.dafftube.org, access to presentations related to daffodils