



# VDS Newsletter

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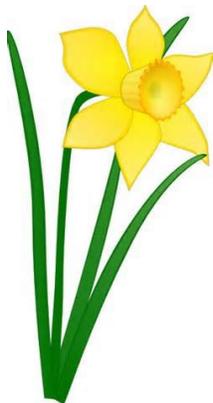
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## Letter from the President

*Dear VDS Members,*

*Happy Summer! It's hard to believe that just a few months ago we were all busy showing our beautiful daffodils. Now as the heat of summer is upon us, we are thinking about what to purchase and plant this fall to show at our 25th Daffodil show in 2018. Due to scheduling conflicts our show will now be March 31-April 1, 2018 at Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden.*

*A special thanks goes out to everyone who helped in making our spring show a success. It takes many hands to put on the show. We had 341 entries, 26 exhibitors and 731 stems. Included in the newsletter is the list of winning blooms and pictures of some of the winning blooms. Thank you Clay Higgins for taking them.*

*Members enjoyed our June picnic at the home of Duane and Lauren McCray (son and daughter-in-law of Keith and Gayle McCray). Twenty members gathered to enjoy good food, friendship, beautiful gardens and a tour of their historical home.*

*If you are interested in getting more involved – now is the time. We will be electing our new officers at our fall meeting in October. If you receive a call from our nominating committee (Erica Gilliam, Judy Durant and Tatter Hartmann), I hope you will consider being an officer or on a committee. The work is light if many are willing to step up.*

*Stay cool and see you in October.*

*Jennifer Potter*

VDS President

## 2017-19 Board Nominating Committee

If you would like to serve on the board, be Membership Chair or Communication Editor, please contact Erica Gilliam at Erica.Gilliam@comcast.net.

# 2017 Virginia Daffodil Show

## Horticulture

Entries – 341 Exhibitors – 26 Stems – 731

## Photography

Photographs – 30 Photographers - 4

### Ribbon Winners:

**Gold Ribbon** - Karen Cogar

**Rose Ribbon** - Clay & Fran Higgins

**Mini Gold Ribbon** - Karen Cogar

**White Ribbon** - Karen Cogar

**Mini White Ribbon** - Olivia Welbourn

**Best Intermediate Ribbon** - Karen Cogar

**Best Intermediate 3-Stem Ribbon** - Ceci Brown

**Best Historic Ribbon** - Ceci Brown

**Best Historic 3-Stem Ribbon** - Janet Hickman

**Best Classic Ribbon** - Ceci Brown

**Best Classic Single-Stem Ribbon** - Ceci Brown

**Youth Best Bloom Ribbon** - Ryan Potter

**Small Growers Ribbon** - Sharon Francisco

**Wells Knierim Ribbon** - Melanie Paul

**Silver Ribbon** - Clay & Fran Higgins

**Historic Collection of 5 Ribbon** (Must have been introduced BEFORE 1940) - Ceci Brown

**Classics Collection of 5 Ribbon** (Must have been introduced between 1940 thru 1969) - Janet Hickman

**Intermediate Collection of 5 Ribbon** - Ceci Brown

**Maroon Ribbon** (Best standard collection of 5 reverse bi-colors only.) - Janet Hickman

**Red-White-Blue Ribbon** (Best standard collection of 5 bred in the USA) - Clay & Fran Higgins

**Purple Ribbon** (Best collection of 5 standards) - Karen Cogar

**Marie Bozievich Ribbon** (12 standard stems from at least FOUR divisions) - Janet Hickman

**Elise Havens Ribbon** (12 standard stems from at least THREE divisions 5 through 10) - Janet Hickman

**Tom Throckmorton Ribbon** (15 standard stems from 15 different RHS classifications) - Karen Cogar

**Carey Quinn Award** (24 standard stems from at least FIVE divisions) - Karen Cogar

**Lavender Ribbon** (Best miniature collection of 5 stems) - Karen Cogar

**Bankhead Ribbon** (Best miniature collection of 9 stems from at least THREE divisions)

- Clay & Fran Higgins

**Roberta Watrous Award** (Best miniature collection of 12 stems from at least THREE divisions)

- Olivia Welbourn



Best Small Grower  
Hawera 5Y-Y  
Sharon Francisco



Best Youth  
Tripartite 11aY-Y  
Ryan Potter



Best Intermediate  
Bonnie Jewell 2Y-YOO  
Glenna Graves



Gold Ribbon  
Lighthouse Reef  
1YYW-WWY  
Karen Cogar



Mini White  
N. Bulbocodium 13Y-Y  
Olivia Welbourn



# June Picnic

*A special thank you to our hosts the McCray Family. To Duane and Lauren for opening up their home and gardens and to Keith and Gayle McCray for organizing. We enjoyed a beautiful Sunday afternoon, and had tour of their lovely property and home.*



## Risers looking for a good home

If you know of a garden club, school, non-profit group in need of plant risers, we have many that the Show Committee would like to see used by other groups. They measure 18 inches wide at base 12 inches tall 6 inch steps in elevation and 36 inches long. Please have them email Jennifer Potter at [jpotter890@msn.com](mailto:jpotter890@msn.com).



## Mark Your Calendar

October 7, 2017

10:00 am —12:00 pm

Annual VDS Meeting & Bulb Exchange  
Covenant Woods

March 31-April 1, 2018

VDS Daffodil Show  
Mid-Atlantic Regional Show  
Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden

Virginia Daffodil Society  
Show Planning Meeting February 4, 2017

Members Present: Jennifer Potter (President), Judy Durant, Erica Gilliam, Christy Brennan, Skip Ford, Rick Simon, Linda Cross & Ceci Brown

Jennifer called the meeting to order at 10:00 am

The minutes from the October meeting were approved with one correction made to the location of Covenant Woods instead of Westminster Canterbury.

Rick Simon gave the treasurers report. The column headers on the report need to be change from 2014 and 2015 to 2015 and 2016. The increase in membership dues has covered expenses and the organization is on track.

Jennifer reported that there are currently 49 members at this time; this includes 7 members that need to pay dues for the current year.

The 2016 show is in about 6 weeks March 30 through the 31st. Jennifer reported that she had submitted the program to the American Daffodil Society (ADS) and it has been approved. There have been a few minor changes, the small growers has been pulled out into a separate section and will be like the youth section. This new section maybe easier for the small growers entering the show.

Sponsors of the Youth Jefferson Cups were determined: Skip and Margaret Ford will sponsor the Best Bloom Cup, Linda Cross will sponsor the Three Stem Cup, Erick and Bill Gilliam will sponsor the Collection Cup. Rick Simon will send them a reminder of payment once the cups have been received.

Last year we had listed that the entry and set up would be on Friday until 7 pm, Lewis Ginter closes at 6:00 pm so the group decided that we would adjust the set up time from 2-6 pm on Friday and 7am -10 am on Saturday rather than pay for additional hours.

Jennifer will check with Lewis Ginter to see if the youth program can be scheduled in Classroom 2 on Friday night. Margaret will confirm with the school group from last year to see if they would like to participate.

Lewis Ginter has requested that we do not bring in boxwood for use in show due to the boxwood blight. Lewis Ginter has offered to provide greenery from the garden; the group decided we will need about three large bags and a few buckets of greenery for the youth program.

We will need to order more ribbons for the show, Jennifer expects the costs to be approximately \$340.00, typically VDS purchases ribbons every other year.

Jennifer plans on ordering 135 printed schedules, this is down a bit from last year but we always have many left over.

Linda Cross has obligations during the last week of March and will not be in charge of the Clerks luncheon on Saturday; Jennifer has volunteered to take this over.

Jennifer is planning on ordering few hard copies of the new ADS Show and Grow Guide for \$15.00 please let her know if you are interested in a copy. Amazon also has a copy on-line for \$8.00.

A lot of our members have had health problems throughout this year; Ericka will be sending them thinking of you cards from VDS. The group discussed the need for more volunteers to help with membership, the newsletter, and manpower for the show. Jennifer is currently handling several key positions and needs volunteers. Skip mentioned that a few of the show staff is getting ready to step down and we will need other members to step in and help to keep VDS going. Next year will be the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of VDS.

The June picnic will be held on Sunday June 11<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 Duane McCoy's historic home in Ashland.

Lewis Ginter has informed us that VDS will no longer be allowed to store VDS show supplies in the basement. Jennifer has searched and compared prices for rental of different sizes and storage rooms in the areas. Jennifer and Skip will measure how much room is required to store the supplies and then the group will need to decide on a method of storage. Skip will contact a former member of VDS to see about possible storage along Lakeside Ave.

We need to recruit new officers and committee members before the meeting in October. The meeting will be held on October 7<sup>th</sup> at Covenant Woods in Mechanicsville.

The 25<sup>th</sup> VDS Anniversary Show will be held on March 24-25<sup>th</sup> 2018.



# The Virginia Daffodil Society Membership Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Individual            \_\_\_ 1 year/\$20.00        \_\_\_ 3 year/\$50.00

Family                \_\_\_ 1 year/\$30.00        \_\_\_ 3 year/\$75.00

Youth (through age 18) \_\_\_ 1 year/\$5.00

**Mail form with check to:**

Virginia Daffodil Society  
c/o Jennifer Potter, Membership  
11816 Summer Stream Drive  
Henrico, VA 23233

All exhibitors are also encouraged to join the American Daffodil Society.

The Society publishes a quarterly journal containing articles, color photos and national daffodil news.

To join, go to ADS on the website: <http://www.daffodilusa.org>