



The American Daffodil Society Mid- Atlantic Region Summer Newsletter 2020

Greetings ADS Daffodil Members of the Mid-Atlantic Region,

I trust you are having a great summer even with the COVID 19 restrictions. Our ADS activities have been put on hold, and sadly all the ADS Shows in the USA were cancelled this spring. However, our enthusiasm has not been daunted by the virus, and our membership has been growing with more and more daffodil members! Thank you for your support and interest in daffodils! We continue to move forward!

In our new normal of social distancing, ADS will be hosting a **Virtual Fall Board Meeting by Zoom September 12-November 8th**. Here is the link to *Visionary Venture*, the ADS' first ever virtual national event:

<https://daffodilusa.org/events-show-calendar/fall-symposiums/2020-fall-forum-fall-board-meeting/>

Enclosed you will find instructions and registration information. Please take this opportunity to learn more about the American Daffodil Society, virtually!

Early bird registration for ADS members until August 31 is only \$25. Registration for ADS members increases to \$35 September 1st, and registration **will not close**. ZOOM is easy to use. This video link will answer any needs or concerns for using Zoom:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9isp3qPeQ0E>



Please note that ADS Accredited Daffodil Show Judges will also be able to attend an outstanding **Judges Refresher**, on Saturday, November 7, @ NOON EST. Judges will need to register and pay for the Forum and a \$5.00 Judges Refresher Fee to receive credit.

Members can also enter the Fall Forum online **Photography Show**. The final *Grand Finale* event of **Visionary Venture** will occur on SUN afternoon, NOV 8 @ 3PM EST. ADS Photography Show Chair, Robert Darling, will reveal all the winners in the **Photography Show**. **Wow! THIS IS INNOVATION!** Take advantage of this amazing opportunity from the comfort of your home! Registration is enclosed in this newsletter.

Our own Mid-Atlantic Photography Show was a big success thanks to ADS Member, Mentor, and Judge, Robert Darling. Robert's innovative photography schedule captured the joy of the daffodil! Congratulations to all the participants in the photography show, and please enjoy Robert's comments on the winning entries in this newsletter.

Lastly, our Mid-Atlantic Region is rich in volunteerism, and it is once again time to honor a worthy candidate for the **Mid- Atlantic Region Leadership and Service Award**. Please submit your nomination to mako261mom@aol.com. Information about the award and a list of past winners are in this newsletter.

Stay safe and well! I hope to see you soon!

Fondly,

Nicki Schwab

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The 2020 Middle Atlantic Region Leadership and Service Award

The goal of the American Daffodil Society is to stimulate and encourage a wide interest in daffodils, through education, exhibition, and the dissemination of information. **The 2019 ADS Middle Atlantic Region Leadership and Service Award** recognizes such a deserving member in our region, who has gone above and beyond planting and showing daffodils, and who exemplifies the goals of ADS. Please nominate someone in your area or the Region, whom you consider to be a deserving recipient of this symbolic silver medal. A letter proposing the candidate along with two seconding letters from ADS members within the Region, can be sent electronically to me by October 1st. Thank you, and I look forward to hearing from you! Nicki Schwab, RVP mako261mom@aol.com

Previous Recipients

1993	Mrs. Merton S. Yerger and Mr. Quentin E. Erlandson	
1994	Ms. Delia Bankhead Mrs. Thomas W. Smith	1995
1996	Mrs. Laura Lee and Mr. Bill Ticknor	
1997	Ms. Anne Donnell Smith	
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2012	Mrs. Julie Minch and Mr. Robert Darling	
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2017	Mr. James Taylor	
2018	Ms. Mary Ann Barton	
2019	Ms. Karen Cogar	



Maryland Daffodil Society

Events: Daffodil Show, Fall Bulb Sale, Newsletters

Dues: Individual \$20, Couples \$25, Garden Club \$25

Contact: Julie Minch, Membership Chair: julesmin@gmail.com Show Chairman:

Meredith McDonough, meredy@comcast.net

The Maryland Daffodil Society

Fall Meeting and Bulb Sale at the Cylburn Arboretum, 4915 Greenspring Ave. Baltimore, MD 21209. Contact Hilles Whedbee at hwhedbee@gmail.com TBA



Virginia Daffodil Society

Events: Daffodil Show, Bulb Exchange, Newsletter

Dues: Individual \$20/year, \$50/3 years, Family \$30, \$75/3 years, Youth (through age 18) 1 year/\$5.00

President: Nancy Fuchs nanfox@gmail.com

October 10th The Virginia Daffodil Society Fall Meeting and Bulb Exchange



Washington D.C. Daffodil Society

Events: Two Daffodil Shows, Bulb sale and exchange, Newsletter

Dues: Individual & Garden Club \$15/year; \$40.00/3 years, Family \$20.00/year, \$50/3 years. Contact: Kathy Welsh, Membership Chair

Kathywelsh01@aol.com

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Show, Late Show \$40/3 years, Family \$20/year, \$50/3 years

October 31st The Washington Daffodil Society Fall Meeting & Bulb Exchange

Location: Trinity United Methodist Church, 1205 Dolly Madison Blvd., McLean, VA 22101. WDS Board meeting 9:30-10:30 All members welcome! 11:00-2:00 Annual Meeting, bulb exchange and bulb order pick up.

Mid-Atlantic Tentative Dates for 2021 ADS Daffodil Shows

March 27th Somerset County Garden Club Daffodil Show

Contact Frances Follmer fpfollmer@comcast.net

March 27th, 28th

The Gloucester Daffodil Festival will host the **Mid-Atlantic Daffodil Show** at Botetourt Elementary School in conjunction with the festival. **Contact Peggy Bowditch, peggyb72@gmail.com 804-693-4811**

March 30th

The Garden Club of Virginia Show. The show will be held at Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden, 1800 Lakeside Ave, Richmond, VA 23228. Contact Nancy McLaughlin nancymcl@rockbridge.net for more information. 540-460-5327

April 2nd, 3rd

The Virginia Daffodil Society will hold its Daffodil Show at Lewis Ginter Botanical Gardens, 1800 Botanical Gardens, 1800 Lakeside Ave. Richmond, VA 23228, Entries accepted April 2nd. Contact Jennifer Potter, jpotter890@msn.com for further information.

April 5,6,7th The District II Daffodil Show will be held at Our Shepherd Lutheran Church, 400 Benfield Road, Severna Park, MD 21146.

Contact Liz Williams mlizwilliams825@gmail.com 410-987-7571.

April 10-11th

The Washington Daffodil Society Show will be held at the Alexandria Valley Scottish Rite Temple, 1430 W. Braddock Road, Alexandria, VA 22302. For more information, contact Mary Ann Barton, 703-273-8641 daffyun100@gmail.com, Glenna Graves, [540-434-8587](tel:540-434-8587), glennamgraves@comcast.net

April 13th

The Upperville Daffodil Show will be held at Buchanan Hall, 8549 John S. Mosby Highway, Upperville, VA 20184. Contact Arianna Dunning armdunning@gmail.com, Barbara Sharp bsharp@starmail.com, Julia Thieriot julia@poesrun.us

April 16-18th

The Delaware Valley Daffodil Society Show will be held at Jenkins Arboretum and Gardens, 631 Berwyn - Baptist Road, Devon, PA 19333

Contact Don Caton, [610-269-0794](tel:610-269-0794),

April 21st ,22nd

The Maryland Daffodil Society Show will be held at the Vollmer Center, at the Cylburn Arboretum, 4915 Greenspring Ave. Baltimore, MD 21209. For more information, contact Chairman Meredith McDonagh, meredy@comcast.net , 410-583-5509

Middle Atlantic Region Nomination(s) for 2021 term

_____Regional Vice-President (1st Term 2021)

Nominations may be made to the slate, but permission of the nominee must be granted. The vote will take place at the Mid-Atlantic Regional Meeting. New candidate positions will take office at the 2021 ADS National Convention. **Please send your nomination by October 1, 2020, to Karen Cogar kcogara@gmail.com**



2020 Virtual Fall Forum & Fall Board Meeting

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

*** Your registration fee includes all programming and there is no option for partial event registration. Cancellations and refunds: No refund requests will be accepted for this online event.**

American Daffodil Society MEMBERS Early Bird registration for ADS members, paying by 31 AUG: \$25 _____

Registration fee as of 1 SEP or later: \$35 _____

ADS Youth Members Registration Fee: \$10 _____

ADS Accredited Judges Refresher Course: \$5 _____

NON- MEMBERS of American Daffodil Society Early Bird registration for non-ADS members, paying by 31 AUG: \$35_____

Registration fee as of 1 SEP or later: \$45 _____

You may register via snail mail by sending your personal check, payable to ADS - to our ADS Fall Forum volunteer Registrar, Greg Freeman 509 Old Wagon Road, Walhalla, SC 29691-5821 864/979-4318 registrar@daffodilusa.org Check#:_____ OR

You may pay at our ADS Webstore: <https://stores.daffodilusastore.org> and then complete your registration form and email it, or snail mail it to Registrar, Greg Freeman (info above), Webstore order#:_____

PLEASE COMPLETE A REGISTRATION FORM FOR EACH PERSON ATTENDING

NAME: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/COUNTRY _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

American Daffodil Society safeguards all personal information. It is never used for any purpose other than communicating with you.

___ Check if you intend to enter photographs. Please see instructive information in the Photography Show schedule - to learn more about how to enter your images.

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I plan to “attend” the presentations as checked. (Providing this information is to help the organizers' planning, and is not binding or limiting to participation)

___ ZOOM Orientation Session I (WED 26 AUG) ___ ZOOM Orientation Session II (THURS 27 AUG) ___ Welcome (SAT 12 SEP) ___ ADS BOD Meeting (SAT 12 SEP) ___ A Guide for Newcomers (SAT 19 SEP) ___ ZOOM Room Meetup for new Members & Friends (TUE 22 SEP) ___ Enjoy Daffodils at the Computer (SAT 3 OCT) ___ Live Verbal Daffodil Bulb Auction (SAT 3 OCT) ___ The View from Northern Ireland (SAT 17 OCT) ___ Historic Daffodils (SAT 24 OCT) ___ Miniatures (SUN 25 OCT) ___ Membership/Youth (SAT 31 OCT) ___ Judging Collections (ADS AJ Refresher) (SAT 7 NOV) ___ Species Narcissus of Iberia (SUN 8 NOV) ___ Photography Show Awards Announcements (SUN 8 NOV)



I WANT TO JOIN The American Daffodil Society!

___ Individual \$30 annual or \$75 for three years ___ Household/Family \$35 annual or \$90 for three years ___ Youth (through 20 years of age at time of application) \$10 annual

NAME(S): _____

MAILING ADDRESS:

EMAIL: _____

___ I want to provide a gift membership for the following:

NAME(S): _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

_____ **EMAIL:**

I am making an additional tax-deductible charitable contribution to The American Daffodil Society, to help support this Fall Forum and The American Daffodil Society nonprofit educational mission.

AMOUNT: \$ _____



Mid-Atlantic Photography News with Robert Darling

We missed seeing each other this spring along with our wonderful daffodils in all their amazing variety. The cancellation and the reality of having no daffodil shows disappointed and saddened. Then, as day followed day without needing work preparing for daffodil shows, without rushing and traveling up and down the Region, a vaguely allowed delight entered. Staying home, watching spring emerge, noting the daffodils as they bloom, correcting labels, discovering flowers thought lost, enjoying the genus narcissus



P1c – Daffodils in Nature— First Place
'Pink Charm' in the Woods
Leigh Barth, Madison Heights, Virginia

observing the flowers deeply, and, despite our current inter species warfare, photographing them.

When all the shows were cancelled, the notion of sharing our photographs in an on-line contest offered to bring back some of the pleasures and expectations of seeing each other with our daffodils in the spring. The impromptu Photography Show quickly fell into place with the blessing, energy and encouragement of Nicki Schwab ADS Regional VP and several other folks in the Mid-Atlantic. It turned out to be a fun, exhausting opportunity. While oft hectic, putting “up” the show became a means to bring us together — on-line. We were challenged by over One-hundred Photographs from all over the East Coast. Images came from Gloucester in the South and as far away as Stamford in the North. The work of Twenty-five photographers working with both simple and more elaborate devices—smart Phones and Cameras contributed to the undertaking delivering a wide spectrum of images celebrating the daffodil.

In addition to VP Nicki, the success of the show could not have happened without the work of Linda Tjossem and Peggy Bowdich in Gloucester and the photographers who look forward to exhibiting in their Daffodil Festival.

Vicky Eichler from Charlottesville was also instrumental bringing together the network of photographers she built and nurtured for ever so many years. Vicky has been tireless in arranging the Richmond Daffodil Show’s Photography Section and encouraging “her” photographer friends exhibit in the Washington Daffodil Society and Tuscarora Daffodil Group shows. Claire Mellinger and Janet Hickman also featured an on-line Show for the Garden Club of Virginia — insuring the GCV Daffodil Days continue in fine style.



Class P2b Daffodil Portraits: Multiple Florets
P2b – First Place – ‘Golden Seven’, ‘Sweetness’ 7 Y-Y
Melanie Paul, Hampton, Virginia

The results of these shows are still available for viewing on-line. Direct your browser to the ADS Website dafflibrary.org, navigate to ADS Show Results/Mid-Atlantic Photography Show. Also check out the Garden Club of Virginia Daffodil Days show, it is excellent. Both are lovely harbingers of a gardening future, a virus free connection without the need of masks.

In addition to these efforts by ADS affiliated Societies, Esker Farms in Northern Ireland sponsored a series of ever evolving shows tailored each week to flowers blooming

somewhere across the globe. The date stamps secured a position for the image weekly deadlines determined competitors. Their focus was on the flower more than the image and the creative use of photography. Jules and Dave Hardy created great interest for all of us growing daffodils, enjoying them and still able to enter competition via a widespread trans-Atlantic show. While we were kept away from each other to slow down the dread virus, unable to preen a perianth and display its beauty, we found online a means to share our love of daffodils and discover their beauty in another discipline.

The photographs entered in our mid-Atlantic On-Line Show display a high level of excellence. For all of you who enjoy the many ways of capturing images today, like to share your photographs, these online spring shows will reward your return to view them again. Ponder what

special features enticed the Judges. Compare them to your own images. There is a great deal to learn from some of the creativity and excellence shown in all the shows you still can see on-line. Given the



Class P2c – Daffodil Portraits Celebrated

P2c –First Place—White Daffodil with Orange Cup,
'Hawaiian Skies' 2 W-YYP

Seth Silverstein, Charlottesville, Virginia

competition for the top awards, what impresses you as you look at them?

Do you agree or would you have captured the image differently?
Looking deeply into the image there is a great deal to learn and apply to your own work as you capture the daffodil in a two-dimensional frame.



VISIONARY VENTURE

As we move through the summer and into the fall, the American Daffodil Society's Fall Forum hosts another Daffodil Photography Show On-Line. The Photography Show opens October 1 with a cut-off date for entries on September 26, 12 PM EDT.

You may compete for special On-line awards, including a People's Choice Award, the ADS Youth Award and the ADS Wells Knierim Award for best photograph in the show. All expected Classes are included with a few surprises.

Please encourage any Youth you know to enter. They may either put their images in the regular classes P-1 — P-6, or the special ADS Youth Class P-7. We have seen over and over the creativity of young people to surprise and enchant us with their visions. The ADS Youth program and many other creative youth programs run by other organizations explore budding talent. We want to tap into this vital resource. We encourage all members to reach out to others beyond the ADS world to tap into their interest in gardening, fascination with daffodils and use the ready technology of image capture.

The Show is available for viewing via the ADS Website from October 1 through November 31. There is no entrance fee. You may register, however, to attend all the many unique varied Fall Forum activities, scheduled ZOOM events, which occur throughout the fall beginning in September. No need to climb aboard an airplane to attend this year's Fall American Daffodil Society events. If you register by August 31, the cost for Registration is only \$25. for ADS members or \$35. for non-members — a great bargain by any measure. There are also several special ZOOM “How To” sessions being led by Kathy Welch of the Washington Daffodil Society, this August to allow you to get the most from your virtual attendance. You will find complete information on the ADS Website, daffodils.org.

We are urging Photographers to look through their photo archives. Ponder all those wonderful photographs you've taken over the years, not only the flowers but those unique remarkable photographs: your “Daffodil Chronicles” telling the story of your involvement with

daffodils, the people who grow them, show them and love them. Friends we missed seeing when this season's shows were cancelled or friends who no longer are with us. Share and “Celebrate Daffodils” this fall in two dimensions.

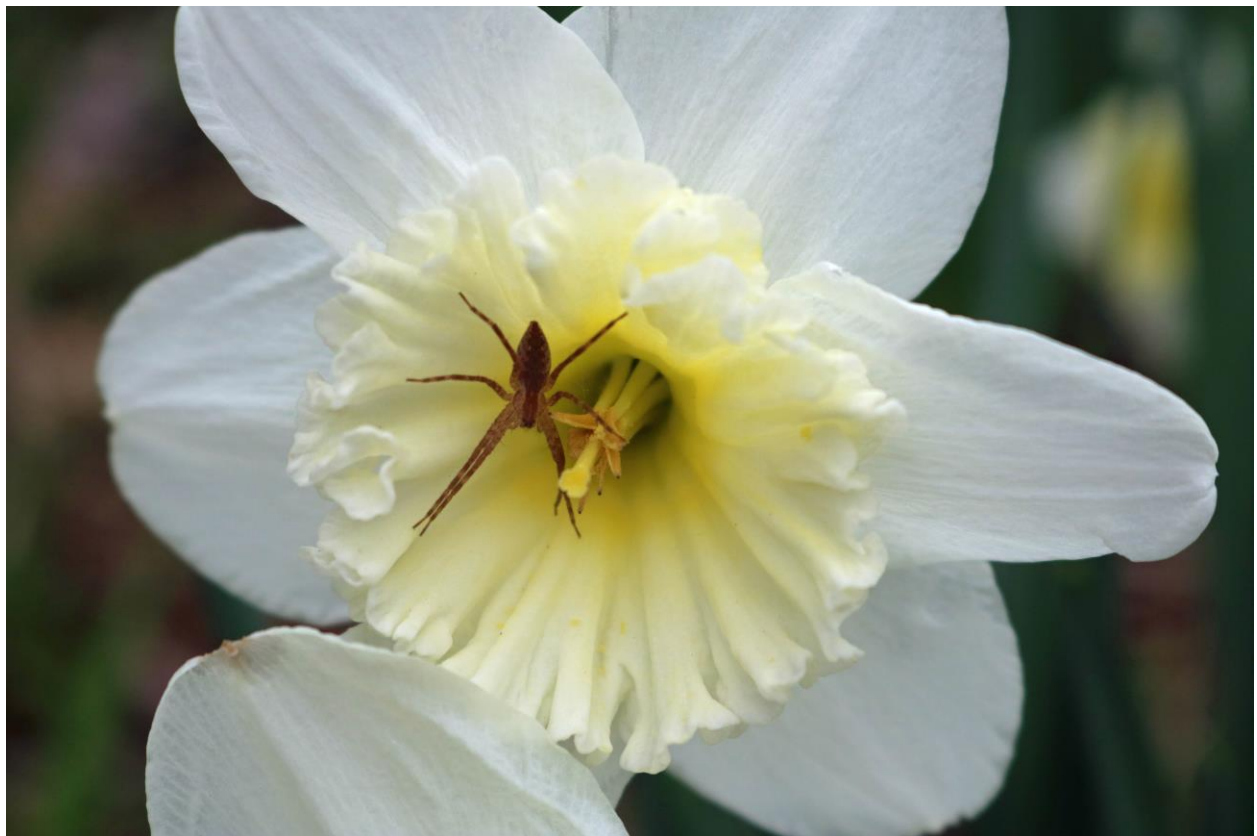
As was the case with our Mid-Atlantic Show, you may enter 2 photographs in any class.



Class P3 – Daffodils Social P3a --Daffodils with People
P3a – First Place -- Look What I Picked for You!
Dale Sayers, Hannover, Virginia

BUT— There is a special, unique class enabled by our on-line capabilities where the two-photograph limit has been removed — **Class P-6 — “Daffodils Blooming *NOW*”**

Just as in many past Fall Board Meetings where we have enjoyed fall blooming daffodils, or the many wonderful forced potted daffodils so many of you carefully nurtured and brought to the Fall Board Meeting. Now is another opportunity to display them and share them with others from around the world. The proviso, the limiter in the above title of this class is “*NOW*.” The date stamp provided by your device on your images determines its entrance validity. Just as it did for the Esker On-Line Daffodil Flower Show in April — although we are not using Greenwich Mean Time.



Class P3c – Daffodils with other Animate Genera

P3c – First Place – Spider Ice Follies
Virginia Decker, Cumberland, Maryland

Ben Tackett has programmed the Show on our ADS Website daffodilusa.org. He and Nancy have been hard at work to make your experience entering and enjoying the show easy to use to register, enter your images, allow the Judges to do their work and maintain the show throughout the Fall Forum. Ben has designed a three-step process to enter photos, title them, give your information. You retain the copyright and control your images. Should you wish to change the photo you initially entered, you may alter or replace it until the final cutoff date: September 26. The website prompts you to enter photos in jpeg format only, with one dimension being 1050 pixels along a side. You may enter photographs Color or Black and White. Each class may be subdivided if warranted by the Photography Chair.



Class P5 – Daffodils from Another Point of View

P5 – First Place – Painting Daffodils
Seth Silverstein, Charlottesville, Virginia

We still believe Judge Quinn's dicta to award your efforts with awards.
We look We look forward to your ideas and images.

All ADS Regions have been invited and encouraged to discover photographers in their areas to mine previous images, perfect them to fit into our defined classes. We are also asking all the ADS Regions to suggest Judges both photo judges and ADS Accredited Daffodil Judges to provide and apply a wide circle of expertise to select winners. We anticipate and expect the Fall Forum Photography Show to be an International event with entries not only from all ADS Regions across the Country, but also expect photographs from daffodil growers and friends in the Southern Hemisphere. From Peru, New Zealand, and Australia — where again it is spring — during our fall.

Robert Darling, Photography Chair ADS. Board of Directors