



Daffodil Society of Minnesota

2020 Updated Event Plans

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

If you are not current through at least 2020, [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!



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Dear Mary Lou,

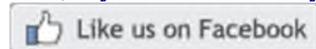
Oh my, what a year 2020 has been! Each of us has experienced plans made and then changed, cancellations, and missed family and friends. It has been no different for daffodil events. None of us will forget this time in our lives.

This brief newsletter recaps some of the updates to our calendar of events. Most of our events have been cancelled, but we are keeping our fingers crossed for others.

Be sure to check out the "[virtual Fall Forum](#)", too!

We hope everyone continues to stay safe and healthy. Keep on gardening!

And, if you haven't already, 'like' us on Facebook!



COVID-19 DOES IN 2020 DAFFODIL SHOWS

Our Daffodil Show and others throughout the country were cancelled

Our 43rd annual daffodil show was one of many daffodil shows cancelled throughout the country this past spring. The National Convention and Show in Dallas, Texas was well attended, but every show after mid-March was cancelled.

Two Minnesota members attended the Dallas convention, but news reports told us that the world was rapidly changing even as we enjoyed daffodil friends from throughout the world. It was a joyful, but almost surreal experience for all attendees.

[American Daffodil Society's daffnet.org](http://daffnet.org)

We are on Facebook!



2021 Shows

Daffodil lovers throughout the country are crossing fingers that we will be able to have a 2021 show season, but reality may prevent that. For example, the [2021 National Convention and Show](#), originally scheduled to be held in Gettysburg, PA, has already been changed to a [virtual convention](#). The planned Gettysburg, PA convention is moved to 2022.

We in Minnesota are scheduled to hold our 2021 show at Bachman's, on Sunday and Monday, May 16-17, 2021. Stay tuned, as things could change!

EVENT CHANGES

Make note of events still scheduled and those cancelled

On top of COVID-19 challenges to all of us, the weather in both 2019 and 2020 has been less than kind to daffodil bulb development at our primary growing site near Ellsworth, WI. The final insult was the heavy rain storm earlier in July, that flooded a few of the bulb rows! Accordingly many of the bulbs we had hoped to sell are smaller than expected.

We have cancelled the following:

- * August 1 - bulb cleaning and bagging
- * August 15-16 - bulb sale at the Arboretum

At this time we still plan to hold the members' only [Bulb Round-Up on September 12th](#), at Steve Horan's home in Wooddale. Masks will be required. Stay tuned for details!



We are also still scheduled to sell bulbs at the Arboretum on September 26-27. Holding this sale will depend on bulb availability, and whether volunteers can be arranged. The Arboretum has announced that most buildings, including the main Oswald Visitor Center, will re-open for activities as of Friday, July 31.



VIRTUAL FALL FORUM

American Daffodil Society's "Fall Forum" available virtually to all!

Each fall the American Daffodil Society has a "Fall Forum", a collection of interesting educational symposia, a bulb auction, and sometimes a photography show (as well as a Board Meeting). This year the event will be totally different - "virtual" events over many different days from September to November! The sessions will cover a wide range of topics of interest to people new to growing daffodils all the way through topics aimed at experienced growers. Panel discussions, experts' presentations, and just plain FUN!

Additionally there will be a Daffodil Photography Show open to all (awards via popular vote), and several different bulb auctions (two on eBay and one "live")!

The total cost to participate in any or all of these multi-session events is only \$25 if you register by August 31! It goes up to \$35 for registrations received on or after September 1st.

Take a look at all the information at:

<https://daffodilusa.org/events-show-calendar/fall-symposiums/>

We hope you will decide to participate in at least some parts of the Visionary Venture: Virtual Fall Forum!

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

